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CALL TO ORDER

The Senate was called to order by President King at 9:00 a.m. A quorum present—39:

Mr. President	Dawson	Miller
Alexander	Diaz de la Portilla	Peaden
Argenziano	Dockery	Posey
Aronberg	Fasano	Pruitt
Atwater	Garcia	Saunders
Bennett	Geller	Sebesta
Bullard	Hill	Siplin
Campbell	Jones	Smith
Carlton	Klein	Villalobos
Clary	Lawson	Wasserman Schultz
Constantine	Lee	Webster
Cowin	Lynn	Wilson
Crist	Margolis	Wise

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Dr. Russell Todd, Jubilee Worship Center, New Smyrna Beach:

Almighty God, our maker and source of all being, we come to you with this prayer with complete humbleness recognizing that you are the most high, our creator and sustainer.

Mighty God, it is a great honor to have been asked to deliver the opening prayer before this session of the Florida Senate. I thank you for the dedication shown by these individuals working tirelessly for the people of the State of Florida.

In these trying times, you know the situations we are facing as a state and as a nation in matters that affect us globally. Be with us this day, that we not act too quickly, nor linger in doubt as we determine the actions to be taken in the days ahead.

In this session, we seek your guidance in directing our legislators in understanding the facts and figures before them and in all decisions made on the behalf of the people of this great State of Florida.

As written by our forefathers years ago, we are still "One Nation Under God" and, therefore, help us to modestly recognize that it is in you and you alone we *will* trust.

Hear our prayer, mighty God. In thy name. Amen.

PLEDGE

Senate Pages Andrew Fells of Sebring, Andrew Scott Futch of Bentonville, Arkansas, grandson of Howard Futch, Brett Waite of Bradenton and Lindsey Wolfson of Coral Gables, led the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY

The President recognized Dr. David Vukich of Jacksonville, sponsored by President King, as doctor of the day. Dr. Vukich specializes in Emergency Medicine.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion by Senator Carlton—

By Senator Carlton—

SR 2068—A resolution commending Stetson University and its national leadership and recognizing March 18, 2003, as "Stetson University Day."

WHEREAS, Florida's first private university, DeLand Academy, was founded in 1883 by Henry A. DeLand, a New York philanthropist, and

WHEREAS, in 1887, the Legislature of the State of Florida enacted the Charter of DeLand University as an independent institution of higher learning, and

WHEREAS, the university's name was changed in 1889 to honor John B. Stetson, the nationally known hat manufacturer who generously gave of his time and means to advance the quality and reputation of the institution, and

WHEREAS, Stetson University's mission of "commitment to values" is a way of life for its students, making the institution a nationally recognized leader in education with a commitment to social responsibility, and

WHEREAS, Stetson University proudly boasts of 174 full-time faculty members on the DeLand campus, 96 percent of whom hold Ph.D. or equivalent degrees, teaching all undergraduate classes with a student/faculty ratio of 11-to-1, and

WHEREAS, Stetson University provides more than 60 degree programs to approximately 3,200 students representing 44 states and more than 47 countries, and

WHEREAS, Stetson University is an NCAA Division I member of the Atlantic Sun Conference, and the talented "Hatters" compete on the intercollegiate level in 15 varsity sports, and

WHEREAS, among other Florida firsts, Stetson established the first college-level Model Senate program, a prototype for the nation; was awarded the first private university Phi Beta Kappa chapter; and was the home of Florida's first School of Business Administration and School of Music, and

WHEREAS, Stetson University's duPont-Ball Library is home to Florida's first federal document depository, which was established in 1887, and

WHEREAS, through the Center for International Education, Stetson University this year welcomes students from 43 countries to its campus and offers study abroad programs at eight foreign centers, and

WHEREAS, 74 percent of Stetson University's undergraduates are State of Florida residents, and

WHEREAS, Stetson University's administration, faculty, students, and graduates, including "many legislators," have made innumerable contributions to the State of Florida, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That March 18, 2003, is recognized as "Stetson University Day."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to H. Douglas Lee, President of Stetson University, as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.

—was introduced out of order and read by title. On motion by Senator Carlton, **SR 2068** was read the second time in full and adopted.

At the request of Senator Bullard—

By Senator Bullard—

SR 2478—A resolution acknowledging the invaluable contributions Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., has made to the people of Florida, and recognizing March 16-18, 2003, as "The 9th Annual Delta Days at the Florida Capitol."

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a public service organization founded in January 1913 by 22 outstanding women at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and

WHEREAS, nearly 6 weeks after its founding, the first public act of the Sorority was its participation in the Women's Suffrage Movement demanding rights for women, particularly the right to vote, and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a sisterhood of college-educated women committed to implementing the sorority's mission through its Five Point Program Thrust: Economic Development, Educational Development, Physical and Mental Health, Political Awareness, and International Awareness and Involvement, and

WHEREAS, this organization recently celebrated 90 years of exemplary service and support to local communities, leading dialogue on public policy issues, supporting quality education, and producing new projects to stimulate current and future economic growth, and

WHEREAS, with over 200,000 college-educated women and over 950 chapters worldwide—47 chapters located in Florida and the Bahamas—members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority are clearly focused and visible as corporate and civic leaders, productive public officials, acclaimed academicians, and activists in their own right, and

WHEREAS, for the past 8 years, the Sorority's Florida Chapters have conducted "Delta Days at the Florida Capitol" to provide information to state legislators and government executives which is vital to developing public policy; to host a reception for state legislators and government executives; and to monitor the progress of pending legislation related to significant public policy issues, and

WHEREAS, on March 16-18, 2003, the members of the 47 Chapters of the Sorority that now serve Florida and the Bahamas will converge on Tallahassee to conduct "The 9th Annual Delta Days at the Florida Capitol," focusing on a theme of Leadership, Advocacy, and Empowerment in taking social action and delivering public services, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the Florida Senate commends Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., for its contributions to the people of Florida, and recognizes March 16-18, 2003, as "The 9th Annual Delta Days at the Florida Capitol."

—**SR 2478** was introduced, read and adopted by publication.

MOTIONS RELATING TO COMMITTEE REFERENCE

On motion by Senator Pruitt, by two-thirds vote **CS for CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646, SB 848 and SB 862** were withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion by Senator Lee, by two-thirds vote **SB 88 and CS for SB 300** were withdrawn from the Committees on Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations; **CS for SB 262** was withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations; **SB 1944** was withdrawn from the Committees on Transportation; and Judiciary; **SB 1334** was withdrawn from the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations; and referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Education; **SB 1782** was withdrawn from the Committees on Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations; and referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations; **CS for CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646** was withdrawn from the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Education; **SB 350** was withdrawn from the Committees on Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 354 and SB 366** were withdrawn from the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 372** was withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 376** was withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 388** was withdrawn from the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 390** was withdrawn from the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 392** was withdrawn from the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 398** was withdrawn from the Committees on Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 402** was withdrawn from the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 406** was withdrawn from the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 408** was withdrawn from the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Rules and Calendar; **SB 414** was withdrawn from the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Rules and Calendar; and **SB 418 and SB 420** were withdrawn from the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

SPECIAL ORDER CALENDAR

On motion by Senator Constantine, by two-thirds vote—

CS for CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to implementation of Amendment 9 to the State Constitution (November 2002 election); providing a short title; amending s. 1003.01, F.S.; defining the terms "core-curricula courses" and "extracurricular courses"; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; establishing the constitutional class size maximum; providing for the determination of averages; providing for the department to calculate averages based upon student membership surveys; providing implementation options for school districts; providing accountability for the class size reduction measures; providing that a district school board that fails to comply with maximum class size requirements is subject to suspension by the Governor; creating s. 1011.685, F.S.; establishing an operating categorical fund for implementing class size reduction; providing for the use of the funds by school districts; creating s. 1013.735, F.S.; establishing the Classrooms for Kids Program; providing for the allocation of funds; providing requirements for district participation in the program; providing for the

use of the funds; creating s. 1013.736, F.S.; establishing the District Equity Recognition Program; providing for eligibility for school district participation; establishing a district equity ratio for purposes of calculating the allocation for the program; providing for the use of the funds; creating s. 1013.737, F.S.; establishing the Class Size Reduction Lottery Revenue Bond Program; authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to finance or refinance the construction, acquisition, reconstruction, or renovation of educational facilities; specifying that the bonds are payable from first proceeds of lottery revenues transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; establishing a covenant with bondholders to not materially and adversely affect their rights; providing for issuance of the bonds by the Division of Bond Finance on behalf of the Department of Education; limiting the total amount of such bonds issued; providing for deposit of bond proceeds in the Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; providing for the filing of complaints for validation; providing for timely encumbrances of funds for authorized projects; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; removing limitations on lottery revenues that may be pledged to the payment of debt service; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; authorizing instructional personnel who receive authorization to extend participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program; requiring the Department of Management Services to request a determination from the United States Internal Revenue Service; providing that the changes effected by this act to the Deferred Retirement Option Program are contingent upon such determination or other favorable opinion; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; clarifying provisions concerning a school-within-a-school; amending s. 1003.02, F.S.; requiring school districts to notify parents of acceleration mechanisms; eliminating a cross-reference to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; removing the requirement that a life management course be offered during the 9th and 10th grade years; amending s. 1003.436, F.S.; reducing the number of hours required for one full credit; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; removing a date limitation to provide for categorical flexibility; amending s. 1011.69, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; providing that Classrooms for Kids operating categorical funds are not subject to provisions requiring equity in school funding; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; revising the time period for an authorized statement of status of eligibility for educator certification requirements; amending requirements for mastery of general knowledge for a teaching certificate; revising requirements for mastery of subject area knowledge; revising requirements for mastery of professional competence; amending s. 1012.57, F.S.; requiring district school boards to adopt rules to allow for the issuance of adjunct educator certificates; amending s. 1013.03, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to review rules relating to school construction and make recommendations to the State Board of Education; amending s. 1013.31, F.S.; requiring school districts to periodically update the inventory of educational facilities; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School; providing for funding the Florida Virtual School within the Florida Education Finance Program; providing for the determination of a credit; eliminating obsolete provisions; amending s. 1011.61, F.S.; redefining the term "full-time equivalent student" to include a Florida Virtual School student; providing for membership to exceed certain maximum days of instruction; creating the Florida Business and Education in School Together (Florida BEST) Program; requiring school districts to seek business partners for Florida BEST schools; requiring each school district to create a Florida BEST school evaluation committee; defining a "Florida Business and Education in School Together (Florida BEST) school"; providing for priority in admission of students; providing parental responsibility; providing for contracts to operate Florida BEST schools; providing school district and business responsibilities for Florida BEST schools; providing exemptions from local government ordinances or regulations relating to square footage or floor area; repealing ss. 1002.33(13), 1012.41, and 1013.43, F.S., relating to number of charter schools, directors of career and technical education, and the small school requirement; amending s. 216.292, F.S.; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to transfer funds for class size reduction based on recommendations of the Florida Education Finance Program Appropriation Allocation Conference; requiring notice and review; providing for severability; providing effective dates.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, CS for CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646 was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF FORMER SENATOR

Senator Jones introduced former Senator Jack Latvala who was present in the chamber.

On motion by Senator Lynn—

SB 482—A bill to be entitled An act relating to termination of rental agreements by members of the United States Armed Forces; amending s. 83.682, F.S.; removing provisions requiring the payment of liquidated damages to the landlord under certain circumstances upon termination of a rental agreement; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

The Committee on Judiciary recommended the following amendment which was moved by Senator Lynn and failed:

Amendment 1 (493306)(with title amendment)—On page 2, between lines 28 and 29, insert:

Section 2. Section 83.575, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

83.575 Termination of tenancy with specific duration.--

(1) *A rental agreement with a specific duration may contain a provision requiring the tenant to notify the landlord prior to vacating the premises. In no event may a rental agreement require more than 60 days' notice prior to vacating the premises.*

(2) *A rental agreement may provide that if a tenant fails to give the required notice the tenant may be liable for liquidated damages as specified in the rental agreement.*

(3) *If the tenant remains on the premises with the permission of the landlord after the rental agreement has terminated and fails to give notice as required under s. 83.57(3), the tenant shall be liable to the landlord for an amount equal to 1 month's rent.*

(Redesignate subsequent sections.)

And the title is amended as follows:

On page 1, lines 1-8, delete those lines and insert: A bill to be entitled An act relating to termination of rental agreements; amending s. 83.682, F.S.; removing provisions requiring the payment of liquidated damages to the landlord under certain circumstances upon termination of a rental agreement; creating s. 83.575, F.S.; providing the maximum notice required in a rental agreement with specific duration for tenant notification of vacating premises; providing remedies in the event the tenant does not vacate after providing notice; providing an effective date.

The Committee on Judiciary recommended the following amendment which was moved by Senator Lynn and adopted:

Amendment 2 (065042)(with title amendment)—On page 2, between lines 28 and 29, insert:

Section 2. Section 83.67, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

83.67 Prohibited practices.—

(1) No landlord of any dwelling unit governed by this part shall cause, directly or indirectly, the termination or interruption of any utility service furnished the tenant, including, but not limited to, water, heat, light, electricity, gas, elevator, garbage collection, or refrigeration, whether or not the utility service is under the control of, or payment is made by, the landlord.

(2) No landlord of any dwelling unit governed by this part shall prevent the tenant from gaining reasonable access to the dwelling unit by any means, including, but not limited to, changing the locks or using any bootlock or similar device.

(3) *No landlord of any dwelling unit governed by this part shall discriminate against a member of the United States Armed Forces in offering a dwelling unit for rent or in any of the term of the rental agreement.*

(4)(8) No landlord of any dwelling unit governed by this part shall remove the outside doors, locks, roof, walls, or windows of the unit except for purposes of maintenance, repair, or replacement; nor shall the landlord remove the tenant's personal property from the dwelling unit unless said action is taken after surrender, abandonment, or a lawful eviction. If provided in the rental agreement or a written agreement separate from the rental agreement, upon surrender or abandonment by the tenant, the landlord is not required to comply with s. 715.104 and is not liable or responsible for storage or disposition of the tenant's personal property; if provided in the rental agreement there must be printed or clearly stamped on such rental agreement a legend in substantially the following form:

BY SIGNING THIS RENTAL AGREEMENT THE TENANT AGREES THAT UPON SURRENDER OR ABANDONMENT, AS DEFINED BY CHAPTER 83, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE LANDLORD SHALL NOT BE LIABLE OR RESPONSIBLE FOR STORAGE OR DISPOSITION OF THE TENANT'S PERSONAL PROPERTY.

For the purposes of this section, abandonment shall be as set forth in s. 83.59(3)(c).

(5)(4) A landlord who violates the provisions of this section shall be liable to the tenant for actual and consequential damages or 3 months' rent, whichever is greater, and costs, including attorney's fees. Subsequent or repeated violations which are not contemporaneous with the initial violation shall be subject to separate awards of damages.

(6)(5) A violation of this section shall constitute irreparable harm for the purposes of injunctive relief.

(7)(6) The remedies provided by this section are not exclusive and shall not preclude the tenant from pursuing any other remedy at law or equity which the tenant may have.

(Redesignate subsequent section.)

And the title is amended as follows:

On page 1, lines 2-8, delete those lines and insert: An act relating to rental agreements by members of the United States Armed Forces; amending s. 83.682, F.S.; removing provisions requiring the payment of liquidated damages to the landlord under certain circumstances upon termination of a rental agreement; amending s. 83.67, F.S.; prohibiting a landlord from discriminating against a member of the United States Armed Forces in offering a dwelling unit for rent; providing an effective date.

Senator Lynn moved the following amendment which was adopted:

Amendment 3 (214044)(with title amendment)—On page 2, between lines 28 and 29, insert:

Section 2. Section 83.575, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

83.575 *Termination of tenancy with specific duration.*—

(1) *A rental agreement with a specific duration may contain a provision requiring the tenant to notify the landlord before vacating the premises at the end of the rental agreement; however, a rental agreement may not require more than 60 days' notice before vacating the premises.*

(2) *A rental agreement may provide that if a tenant fails to give the required notice before vacating the premises at the end of the rental agreement, the tenant may be liable for liquidated damages as specified in the rental agreement.*

(3) *If the tenant remains on the premises with the permission of the landlord after the rental agreement has terminated and fails to give notice required under s. 83.57(3), the tenant is liable to the landlord for an additional 1 month's rent.*

(Redesignate subsequent sections.)

And the title is amended as follows:

On page 1, lines 2 and 3, delete those lines and insert: agreements; creating s. 83.575, F.S.; providing for the termination of a tenancy having a specific duration; requiring the tenant to give notice before vacating the premises; limiting the maximum amount of required notice; providing for liquidated damages in specified circumstances; providing

tenant liability for paying additional rent in specified circumstances; amending s. 83.682, F.S.;

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 482** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Smith—

SB 530—A bill to be entitled An act relating to anatomical gifts; creating the "Nick Oelrich Gift of Life Act"; amending s. 765.512, F.S., relating to anatomical gifts; prohibiting modification of a donor's intent; providing that a donor document is legally binding; authorizing specified persons to furnish a donor's medical records upon request; amending s. 765.516, F.S.; revising procedures by which the terms of an anatomical gift may be amended or the gift may be revoked; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

The Committee on Judiciary recommended the following amendments which were moved by Senator Smith and adopted:

Amendment 1 (513600)—On page 1, lines 27-30, delete those lines and insert: *A family member, guardian, representative ad litem, or health care surrogate of an adult donor who has made an anatomical gift pursuant to subsection (2) may not modify, deny or prevent a donor's wish or intent to make an anatomical gift from being made after the donor's death.*

Amendment 2 (543596)—On page 3, lines 1-3, delete all said lines and insert: *2- made in the presence of two persons, one of whom must not be a family member, and communicated to the donor's family or attorney or to the donee.*

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 530** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Argenziano—

SB 634—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Big Bend Historic Saltwater Paddling Trail; amending s. 260.016, F.S.; extending the trail from the Suwannee River to Yankeetown; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 634** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Smith—

CS for SB 472—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mining activities; amending s. 552.30, F.S.; redefining the term "construction materials mining activities"; creating ss. 552.32-552.44, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative findings and public purpose; providing that the Division of Administrative Hearings has exclusive jurisdiction over certain claims for damages relating to the use of explosives in connection with construction materials mining activities; providing for filing fees except in cases of indigence; designating a trust fund for deposit of filing fees; requiring a person who uses explosives in connection with such activities to post security in a specified amount for a specified period; providing for rulemaking by the State Fire Marshal; providing for an administrative remedy; providing procedures for mediation and for formal hearings; allowing recovery of certain costs and attorney's fees, with exceptions; providing for appeals; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Senator Smith moved the following amendments which were adopted:

Amendment 1 (444694)—On page 3, line 30 through page 4, line 22, delete those lines and insert:

(1) *As a prerequisite to obtaining or renewing a valid user license as required by s. 552.091(5)(a), or obtaining or renewing a valid license or*

permit under s. 552.30, a person who uses explosives in connection with construction materials mining activities must post and maintain a bond or letter of credit as security as required under subsection (2). Evidence that the bond has been posted and maintained in compliance with this section must be maintained by any licensee or permitholder for the use of explosives in connection with construction materials mining activities as part of the mandatory record maintenance requirements of s. 552.112. The person must maintain, in a format approved by the Division of State Fire Marshal of the Department of Financial Services, a completed form that shows the amount and location of the bond or identifies the bond surety and the current bond value.

(2) The bond or letter of credit required under subsection (1) must be in an amount not less than \$100,000, notwithstanding an award made by an administrative law judge under s. 552.40(7). In the case of a multiple licenseholder or multiple permitholder, a single bond in the aggregate amount of not less than \$100,000 may be provided as security for the individual permits or licenses. If the user of explosives has not been identified as a respondent in any pending claim for damages under this chapter, and if renewal of the license or permit is not sought, the bond required under this section may be released upon the expiration of the license or permit or 181 days after the final use of explosives under the license, whichever occurs later, if the bond to be released is not security for other permits.

Amendment 2 (442498)—On page 5, line 12, after “respondent” insert: , including the applicable user licenseholder under s. 552.091(5) and permitholder under s. 552.30

Amendment 3 (540448)—On page 7, line 28 through page 8, line 3, delete those lines and insert:

(9) The prevailing party is entitled to recover taxable costs, including reasonable expert witness fees and any incidental administrative costs directly associated with the case. The prevailing party is entitled to an award of reasonable attorney’s fees if the administrative law judge determines that the claim or defense of the nonprevailing party:

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 472** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Lynn—

CS for SB 192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to library records; amending s. 257.261, F.S.; revising provisions relating to confidentiality of public library registration and circulation records to authorize disclosure of information to the parent or guardian of a library patron under age 16, for the purpose of collecting fines or recovering overdue books or other materials; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Senator Lynn moved the following amendment which was adopted:

Amendment 1 (285490)—On page 2, lines 4-14, delete those lines and insert: any business operating jointly with the library may, only for the purpose of collecting fines or recovering overdue books, documents, films, or other items or materials owned or otherwise belonging to the library, disclose, from disclosing information made confidential and exempt by this section to the following:

1. The library patron named in the records;
2. In the case of a library patron less than 16 years of age, the parent or guardian of that patron named in the records;
3. Any entity that collects fines on behalf of a library, unless the patron is less than 16 years of age, in which case only information identifying the patron’s parent or guardian may be released;
4. Municipal or county law enforcement officials, unless the patron is 16 years of age, in which case only information identifying the patron’s parent or guardian may be released; or to
5. Judicial officials, for the purpose of recovering overdue books,

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 192** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Geller—

SB 258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public funds; amending s. 215.85, F.S.; authorizing local governments to pay certain expenses by means of electronic funds transfer; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommended the following amendment which was moved by Senator Geller and adopted:

Amendment 1 (840352)—On page 1, lines 18-21, delete those lines and insert: ~~wherein the transfer does not represent an expenditure, advance, or reduction of cash assets to pay expenses, expenditures, or other disbursements, evidenced by an invoice or other appropriate documentation.~~ Such transfer may be made by

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 258** as amended was ordered engrossed and then placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Fasano—

CS for SB 260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to condominiums; amending s. 718.113, F.S.; allowing unit owners to fly armed services flags on designated days and patriotic holidays; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 260** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Villalobos—

SB 1046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the operation of motorcycles; amending s. 316.209, F.S.; providing that certain prohibitions concerning the operation of motorcycles do not apply to firefighters in the performance of their official duties; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **SB 1046** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Wise—

CS for SB 160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to controlled substances; creating s. 893.031, F.S.; providing definitions; specifying that for purposes of certain industrial uses, 1,4-Butanediol and gamma-butyrolactone (GBL) are excepted from the schedule of controlled substances when in the possession of an authorized manufacturer or distributor or person possessing a finished product; providing circumstances under which the exceptions do not apply; reenacting s. 893.03(1)(d), F.S., relating to certain substances controlled under Schedule I; amending s. 893.13, F.S.; clarifying the hours during which it is unlawful to sell, manufacture, deliver, or possess a controlled substance within a specified distance of a child care facility or public or private elementary, middle, or secondary school; amending s. 893.135, F.S., relating to trafficking offenses; correcting a case citation; providing an effective date.

—was read the second time by title.

Pursuant to Rule 4.19, **CS for SB 160** was placed on the calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

MOTIONS

On motion by Senator Pruitt, a deadline of 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, was set for filing amendments to the proposed appropriations bill and proposed appropriations implementing bill.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Rules and Calendar submits the following bills to be placed on the Special Order Calendar for Tuesday, March 18,

2003: CS for CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646, SB 482, SB 530, SB 634, CS for SB 472, CS for SB 192, SB 258, CS for SB 260, SB 1046, CS for SB 160

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Lee, Chair

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 698

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1772

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 296

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 204

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services under the original reference.

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1368

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation under the original reference.

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1454

The Committee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 716

The bills with committee substitutes attached contained in the foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Productivity under the original reference.

The Committee on Criminal Justice recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 144

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 218

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Judiciary under the original reference.

The Committee on Ethics and Elections recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 1578

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar under the original reference.

The Committee on Banking and Insurance recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 336

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Committee on Transportation under the original reference.

The Committee on Regulated Industries recommends a committee substitute for the following: SB 742

The bill with committee substitute attached was referred to the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government under the original reference.

REPORTS OF SUBCOMMITTEES

The Appropriations Subcommittee on Education recommends a committee substitute for the following: CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646

The bills with committee substitute attached were referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the original reference.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Committee on Comprehensive Planning recommends that the Senate confirm the following appointees made by the Governor:

Office and Appointment

For Term Ending

Secretary of Community Affairs

Appointee: Colleen M. Castille

Pleasure of Governor

[The appointment contained in the foregoing report was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections under the original reference.]

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF BILLS

FIRST READING

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1804—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; defining the term “public school member” for purposes of the system; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; providing retirement benefits payable to public school members; providing retroactive applicability; providing for funding of the revision of the Florida Retirement System by this act; providing a finding of important state interest; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1806—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual offenders; amending s. 947.1405, F.S.; prohibiting certain sexual offenders subject to conditional release supervision from living within a specified distance of certain places where children congregate; providing requirements for bus stops; creating s. 794.065, F.S.; prohibiting persons convicted of certain sex crimes from residing within 1,000 feet of a school, day care center, park, or playground; amending s. 1006.22, F.S.; requiring district

school boards to notify the Department of Corrections regarding school bus stop locations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Posey—

SB 1808—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state planning and budgeting; amending s. 216.023, F.S.; requiring a summary of each state agency and the judicial branch of state government's preceding year's financial data to be submitted annually to the Legislature; providing content requirements of the summary; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1810—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student financial assistance; creating s. 1009.892, F.S.; creating the Innovation Florida Scholarships for Developing High-Tech Jobs Program; authorizing need-based scholarships for students enrolled in certified degree programs in targeted employment areas at Florida postsecondary educational institutions; providing for administration and funding of the program; providing student eligibility requirements for initial and renewal awards; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1812—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act; amending s. 252.85, F.S.; providing a fee for all, rather than just certain, reports or filings required by section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1814—A bill to be entitled An act relating to credit card transactions; amending s. 501.0117, F.S.; permitting the imposition of a surcharge or fee for a credit card transaction that occurs over the phone or the Internet; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1816—A bill to be entitled An act relating to environmental property acquisition and development; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; requiring the Department of Community Affairs to develop a pilot project with a water management district and a feasibility study to develop a pilot project in certain counties for certain rural land stewardship or alternatives to fee simple land acquisition purposes; requiring reports to the Legislature; amending s. 195.092, F.S.; authorizing local government taxing authorities to contest certain property assessor actions relating to property assessments of tax-exempt nongovernmental entities; authorizing local government taxing authorities to establish agreements for

services to be provided by certain tax-exempt nongovernmental entities for the purpose of maintaining tax-exempt status; amending ss. 259.032 and 373.59, F.S.; revising certain agency responsibilities and procedures under certain payment in lieu of taxes provisions under the Conservation and Recreation Lands Trust Fund and the Water Management Lands Trust Fund; amending s. 259.105, F.S.; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to develop an economic impact analysis for certain state land acquisitions under the Florida Forever Act relating to effects upon local ad valorem tax rolls; requiring estimates of revenues received as payments in lieu of taxes and other benefits of acquisition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Agriculture; Natural Resources; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lynn—

SM 1818—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to fully fund the Payment In Lieu Of Taxes Program for federally owned lands.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1820—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of psychology; amending s. 490.003, F.S.; redefining the term “practice of psychology” to include the prescription and administration of drugs, including, but not limited to, controlled substances, under certain circumstances; creating s. 490.0146, F.S.; providing requirements for and conditions to the prescription and administration of drugs, including controlled substances, by psychologists; defining terms; requiring certification; providing requirements for application for and renewal of prescriptive authority; providing prescribing practices; requiring the transmission of certain information to the Board of Pharmacy; providing rule-making authority to establish grounds for discipline and for the suspension or revocation of prescriptive authority; amending s. 458.348, F.S.; revising references, to conform; amending s. 464.003, F.S.; redefining the term “practice of practical nursing” to include acts performed under the direction or supervision of a licensed psychologist certified to prescribe drugs; amending s. 464.012, F.S.; including psychological treatment under supervision of a licensed psychologist certified to prescribe drugs among those functions an advanced registered nurse practitioner may perform within the framework of an established protocol; amending s. 893.02, F.S.; redefining the term “practitioner” as used in the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act to include licensed psychologists certified to prescribe drugs; reenacting s. 775.051, F.S., relating to voluntary intoxication as a defense, to incorporate the amendment to s. 893.02, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1822—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult protective services; amending s. 415.1045, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to enter into certain working agreements with local law enforcement agencies by September 1, 2003; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Sebesta and Crist—

SB 1824—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real property; amending ss. 197.502, 197.582, F.S.; requiring that each owner of property

contiguous to property subject to sale under an outstanding tax certificate be notified before the sale of the property; requiring that a county holding any such certificate notify each owner of contiguous property within a specified period if the county does not purchase the property; prohibiting the assessment of taxes and special assessments against property constituting the common elements of a subdivision; requiring that the property appraiser prorate the value of taxes and special assessments against recreational facilities, easements, and other common elements of a subdivision and include such prorated value among the lots within the subdivision conveyed or intended to be conveyed into private ownership; defining the term "common element" for purposes of the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1826—A bill to be entitled An act relating to housing for the mentally ill; expressing legislative intent to support stable housing for persons who have a mental illness; providing that such housing must be available in diverse settings; providing for rulemaking by the Department of Children and Family Services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1828—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community contribution tax credit; amending s. 220.183, F.S.; requiring that no more than 50 percent of the available annual tax credits may be granted for very-low-income households in order to be eligible for a community contribution tax credit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1830—A bill to be entitled An act relating to children and families; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to children and families; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Bennett and Posey—

SB 1832—A bill to be entitled An act relating to use of the term "chamber of commerce"; creating s. 501.972, F.S.; providing definitions; prohibiting certain business entities from using the term "chamber of commerce" under certain circumstances; providing exceptions; providing a penalty; specifying nonimposition of certain requirements; authorizing chambers of commerce to sue certain business entities to enjoin use of certain terms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1834—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child abuse and abuse of vulnerable adults; amending s. 39.201, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to mandatory reports of child abuse; amending s. 39.204, F.S.;

abrogating the right of privileged communication between any member of the clergy and a person seeking spiritual counsel and advice with respect to cases involving child abuse, abandonment, or neglect; amending s. 90.505, F.S.; proscribing the privilege of communications to clergy by certain individuals; amending s. 95.11, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to the statute of limitations in certain actions; providing a time period for suits with respect to intentional torts based on abuse of a vulnerable adult, for intentional torts based upon abuse of a child, and for intentional torts based upon childhood sexual abuse; amending s. 794.011, F.S.; providing that a person commits sexual battery which is a first degree felony when the offender is a person who has responsibility for the welfare, guidance, direction, supervision, education, or spiritual well-being of a child under certain circumstances; creating s. 800.05, F.S.; providing for a duty to report lewd and lascivious offenses; providing penalties for failure to report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Judiciary; Criminal Justice; and Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1836—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the corporate income tax; amending s. 220.187, F.S.; redefining the term "qualified student" to include certain postsecondary students; defining the term "qualified postsecondary scholarship program"; allowing credit to be taken against the tax for contributions to district school board direct-support organizations that provide scholarships for postsecondary students who qualify for free and reduced lunch under the National School Lunch Act; providing standards and procedures for such scholarship programs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1838—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 public education; amending s. 1006.37, F.S.; requiring publishers to provide and price adopted instructional materials on an individual basis for purchase by school districts; amending s. 1006.40, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the issuance of purchase orders; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1840—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the Stop Heart Disease license plate; providing for distribution to the Florida Heart Research Foundation of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1842—A bill to be entitled An act relating to municipal parking facility space surcharges; creating s. 212.035, F.S.; authorizing certain municipalities to impose and collect a surcharge on certain parking facility space sale, lease, or rental charges; requiring referendum approval; providing for a maximum surcharge rate; specifying uses and limits of surcharge proceeds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1844—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prevention of discrimination in prescription plans; requiring certain employers to ensure that prescription plans include certain coverage, are comprehensive, and do not discriminate on the basis of gender; providing for penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Judiciary.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1846—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the administrative and judicial review of property taxes; amending s. 194.011, F.S.; increasing the time periods within which certain evidentiary materials must be provided by and to the petitioner; amending s. 194.032, F.S.; revising the time period for the clerk to provide a petitioner with an appearance schedule; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1848—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance; amending s. 112.08, F.S.; redefining the term “local governmental unit” with respect to certain group insurance for public officers, employees, and certain volunteers; amending s. 112.363, F.S.; revising the minimum and maximum health insurance subsidies; revising the contribution paid by employers of state-administered retirement plans; authorizing the Department of Management Services to contract for an actuarial study on providing for a statewide retiree health insurance program; providing a statement of significant state interest; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1850—A bill to be entitled An act relating to commercial development and capital improvements; amending s. 212.20, F.S.; providing for distribution of a portion of revenues from the tax on sales, use, and other transactions to a motorsports entertainment complex; creating s. 288.1170, F.S.; providing definitions; providing for certification of such facility by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development of the Executive Office of the Governor; providing requirements for certification; requiring specified notice; providing for annual recertification; providing for use of the funds distributed to a motorsports entertainment complex; providing for audits by the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Diaz de la Portilla and Margolis—

SB 1852—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary education; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying certain students as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1854—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school personnel; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring charter school personnel to be subject to state and federal rules and regulations that govern public school personnel; creating s. 1012.47, F.S.; requiring certain personnel in an alternative school that operates under contract with a district school system to file a set of fingerprints; requiring personnel to be subject to state and federal rules and regulations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1856—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement officers and correctional officers; amending s. 112.532, F.S.; revising provisions relating to disciplinary actions against officers; providing grounds for civil actions by officers; providing for officers to obtain investigative reports; revising guidelines for questioning officers who are being investigated; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1858—A bill to be entitled An act relating to payments to Florida residents based on certain federal tax credits; providing for an annual payment to a Florida resident equal to a percentage of the federal earned income tax credit allowed to that person; providing for transfers from the federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program or the General Revenue Fund to cover costs of such payments; providing duties of the Department of Revenue; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1860—A bill to be entitled An act relating to tax certificates for unpaid taxes; amending s. 197.432, F.S.; authorizing counties to conduct the sale of tax certificates by electronic means; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1862—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community development districts; amending s. 190.011, F.S.; providing for such districts to collect ground rent from owners of long-term ground leases with governmental entities; amending s. 190.021, F.S.; providing for the inclusion in certain maintenance special assessments the ground rent to be collected by a district; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1864—A bill to be entitled An act relating to casino gaming rooms; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to casino gaming rooms; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1866—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educational facilities benefit districts; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to educational facilities benefit districts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1868—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state vehicles; requiring insurance on vehicles used by employees performing law-enforcement duties; prescribing uses for which coverage must be provided; providing for reimbursement for certain off-duty use; providing for rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1870—A bill to be entitled An act relating to criminal liability for failure to report a crime; creating s. 877.31, F.S.; creating the “Nicholas Isaac Cordero Act”; requiring a person who knows that a crime is being committed to report the crime to a law enforcement officer, under specified circumstances, if the crime exposes the victim to serious bodily injury likely to cause death; providing penalties; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1872—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Board of Accountancy; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the audit procedures of the Board of Accountancy; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1874—A bill to be entitled An act relating to pari-mutuel facilities; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to pari-mutuel facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1876—A bill to be entitled An act relating to high-quality teachers; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to recruiting and retaining high-quality teachers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Siplin—

SB 1878—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to health insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Klein—

SB 1880—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Miller—

SB 1882—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Hill—

SB 1884—A bill to be entitled An act relating to safe schools; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to safe schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1886—A bill to be entitled An act relating to job creation; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to job creation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Crist—

SB 1888—A bill to be entitled An act relating to reinstatement of the driving privilege; amending s. 322.271, F.S.; providing that a person whose driving privilege has been permanently revoked due to a specified number of convictions of driving under the influence may petition the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for reinstatement of his or her driving privilege; providing an opportunity for a hearing; requiring the department to determine the petitioner's qualifications; providing certain qualifications of reinstatement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1890—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governmental reorganization; abolishing the Agency for Health Care Administration and transferring the duties and responsibilities of the Agency for Health Care Administration to the Department of Health; repealing s. 20.42, F.S., relating to the Agency for Health Care Administration; amending s. 20.425, F.S.; redesignating the Agency for Health Care Administration Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund as the Department of Health Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund; amending s. 20.43, F.S.; revising provisions governing the duties and responsibilities of the Department of Health to conform to the reorganization; requiring the Secretary of Health to report recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature for implementing the reorganization; directing the Division of Statutory Revision of the Office of Legislative Services to prepare a reviser's bill conforming the Florida Statutes to the changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1892—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to motor vehicle insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1894—A bill to be entitled An act relating to government accountability; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to government accountability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1896—A bill to be entitled An act relating to school speed zones; amending s. 316.1895, F.S.; providing for the use of described flashing beacons to designate school zone speed restrictions; revising requirements for the Department of Transportation to establish certain standards; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1898—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation insurance; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to workers' compensation insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1900—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile sentencing; amending s. 985.231, F.S.; authorizing a trial judge to sentence a delin-

quent child to a specific commitment program or facility within the Department of Juvenile Justice; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1902—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home inspection services; creating s. 501.935, F.S.; providing requirements relating to home inspection services; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; providing certain inspector qualifications and practice standards; limiting the authority of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to license home inspectors or to impose fees on or file administrative complaints against home inspectors; providing exemptions; requiring, before inspection, provision of inspector credentials, a caveat, a disclosure of conflicts of interest and certain relationships, and a statement or agreement of scope, limitations, terms, and conditions; requiring a report to the client on the results of the inspection and requiring provision of relevant portions thereof to homeowners under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain acts for which there are civil penalties; providing that failure to comply is a deceptive and unfair trade practice; providing for injunction against use of the title "board-certified home inspector" under certain circumstances and requiring notice thereof to potential clients; providing for the filing of complaints; requiring maintenance of records regarding complaints and compilation of statistics regarding such complaints; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Atwater and Campbell—

SB 1904—A bill to be entitled An act relating to viatical settlements; conforming various provisions to certain governmental reorganization; amending s. 517.021, F.S.; revising definitions; creating s. 517.072, F.S.; providing for nonapplication of an exemption to viatical settlement investments; amending s. 626.9911, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 626.9912, F.S.; providing additional requirements relating to licensure; amending s. 626.9913, F.S.; revising provisions relating to viatical settlement provider license continuation; requiring annual statements to include audited financial statements and other information; prohibiting viatical settlement providers from certain investing or lending activities; requiring certain information relating to an annual statement to be made available to the Office of Insurance Regulation; deleting an alternative deposit requirement; prohibiting certain levies by judgment creditors or other claimants; amending s. 626.9914, F.S.; revising a criterion for adverse licensure actions; revising terminology, to conform to governmental reorganization; amending s. 626.9915, F.S., to conform to governmental reorganization; amending s. 626.9916, F.S.; requiring a life agent license to function as a viatical settlement broker; providing for application of certain life insurance policy provisions to viatical settlement contracts; authorizing transfer of viatical settlement broker appointments to a life agent license; terminating viatical settlement broker licenses and prohibiting renewal; deleting provisions relating to viatical settlement broker licensure; amending ss. 626.9917 and 626.9918, F.S., to conform to governmental reorganization; clarifying application of adverse licensure activities to life agents acting as viatical settlement brokers; amending s. 626.9919, F.S., to conform; amending s. 626.992, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to viatical settlement sales agents, to conform; amending s. 626.9921, F.S., to conform to governmental reorganization; deleting provisions relating to viatical settlement purchase agreement forms; amending s. 626.9922, F.S., to conform to governmental reorganization; revising office examination requirements; amending s. 626.9924, F.S.; deleting certain insured status and information tracking requirements; amending s. 626.99245, F.S.; deleting conflict of regulation provisions relating to out-of-state residents and application; amending s. 626.9925, F.S.; revising commission rulemaking requirements; amending ss. 626.9926, 626.9927, and 626.99272, F.S., to conform; amending s. 626.99275, F.S.; revising prohibited practices provisions, to conform; revising penalty criteria; specifying nonapplication to certain policy ownership transfers under court order; amending s.

626.99277, F.S.; revising prohibited false representation provisions, to conform; amending ss. 626.99278, 626.9928, and 626.99285, F.S., to conform; amending s. 626.989, F.S.; clarifying a definition; repealing s. 626.99235, F.S., relating to disclosures to viatical settlement purchasers and misrepresentations; repealing s. 626.99236, F.S., relating to further disclosures to viatical settlement purchasers; repealing s. 626.99295, F.S., relating to a licensure grace period for unlicensed viatical settlement providers or viatical settlement brokers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1906—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing eligibility of certain treatment and rehabilitation personnel at correctional or forensic facilities for membership in the Special Risk Class; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1908—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the tax on sales, use, and other transactions; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; providing an exemption for tangible personal property sold to a contractor employed directly by or as an agent of the United States Government or state or local government when such property will become part of a public K-12 school owned by the governmental entity, if specified conditions are met; providing duties of such governmental entities, contractors, and sellers with respect to documentation and recordkeeping; providing for application of penalties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Education; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 1910—A bill to be entitled An act relating to unclaimed court-ordered payments; amending s. 945.31, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Corrections to deposit or transfer into the General Revenue Fund certain overpayments and other payments; repealing s. 960.0025, F.S., relating to the allocation of certain funds from restitution or other court-ordered payments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 1912—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; amending s. 395.004, F.S., relating to licensure of certain health care facilities; providing for discounted medical liability insurance based on certification of programs that reduce adverse incidents; requiring the Department of Financial Services to consider certain information in reviewing discounted rates; creating s. 395.0056, F.S.; requiring a licensed facility to notify the Agency for Health Care Administration of actions filed against the facility or health care practitioners for whom it assumes liability; requiring the agency to review files for compliance with requirements relating to notice of adverse incidents; requiring the agency to annually publish information about litigation affecting licensed facilities; creating s. 395.0187, F.S.; requiring facilities to establish a nurse-to-patient ratio based upon a specified methodology; providing for vary-

ing the ratio while ensuring quality of care; amending s. 395.0193, F.S., relating to peer review and disciplinary actions; providing for discipline of a physician for mental or physical abuse of staff; limiting liability of certain participants in certain disciplinary actions at a licensed facility; clarifying that certain documents and communications are not privileged; requiring that certain committees and other specified entities provide a list of documents or communications for which privilege is asserted; providing for in camera review; providing for determination of whether privilege applies as asserted; specifying information included in such a list; providing for protection of patient-identifying information; amending s. 395.0197, F.S., relating to internal risk management programs; deleting an exception from the risk prevention education requirement for certain health care practitioners; requiring a system for notifying patients that they are victims of an adverse incident; requiring risk managers or their designees to give notice; requiring licensed facilities to annually report certain information about health care practitioners for whom they assume liability; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Health to annually publish statistics about licensed facilities that assume liability for health care practitioners; providing for disciplinary action against a person who has a duty to report an adverse incident but who fails to timely do so; providing for a fine for each day an adverse incident is not timely reported; revising the circumstances under which a risk manager or designee must notify the agency that an adverse incident occurred; requiring notification that an adverse incident has possibly occurred; deleting a list of certain specific adverse incidents about which the agency must be notified; including errors, omissions, or negligence within the information that the agency is required to publish on its website; requiring the agency to annually publish report cards providing statistics and narrative explanations for each such facility's incident reports; requiring the report cards to be available to the public on-line and through other means by a specified date; specifying organization and minimum contents of the report cards; requiring a statement regarding the use of adverse incident data in assessing a facility; requiring risk managers to report allegations of sexual misconduct occurring in a licensed facility to the agency; requiring certain licensed facilities to offer victims of sexual abuse testing for sexually transmissible diseases at no cost; authorizing the agency to publish information about certain adverse incidents that it discovers were not timely reported; amending s. 456.025, F.S.; eliminating certain restrictions on the setting of licensure renewal fees for health care practitioners; amending s. 456.026, F.S., relating to an annual report published by the Department of Health; requiring that the department publish the report to its website; requiring the department to include certain detailed information; amending s. 456.041, F.S., relating to practitioner profiles; requiring the Department of Health to compile certain specified information in a practitioner profile; establishing a timeframe for certain health care practitioners to report specified information; providing for disciplinary action and a fine for untimely submissions; deleting provisions that provide that a profile need not indicate whether a criminal history check was performed to corroborate information in the profile; authorizing the department or regulatory board to investigate any information received; requiring the department to provide a narrative explanation, in plain English, concerning final disciplinary action taken against a practitioner; requiring a hyperlink to each final order on the department's website which provides information about disciplinary actions; requiring the department to provide a hyperlink to certain comparison reports pertaining to claims experience; requiring the department to include the date that a reported disciplinary action was taken by a licensed facility and a characterization of the practitioner's conduct that resulted in the action; deleting provisions requiring the department to consult with a regulatory board before including certain information in a health care practitioner's profile; providing for a penalty for failure to comply with the timeframe for verifying and correcting a practitioner profile; requiring the department to add a statement to a practitioner profile when the profile information has not been verified by the practitioner; requiring the department to provide, in the practitioner profile, an explanation of disciplinary action taken and the reason for sanctions imposed; requiring the department to include a hyperlink to a practitioner's website when requested; amending s. 456.042, F.S.; providing for the update of practitioner profiles; designating a timeframe within which a practitioner must submit new information to update his or her profile; providing for quarterly departmental updates of practitioner profiles; amending s. 456.049, F.S., relating to practitioner reports on professional liability claims and actions; deleting a requirement that a practitioner report only if the claim or action was not covered by an insurer that is required to report; imposing a fine on practitioners who fail to comply with the requirements for reporting claims and actions

within a specified period; imposing an additional fine for continued failure to comply with reporting requirements; providing that unreported information is subject to discovery; amending s. 456.051, F.S.; establishing the responsibility of the Department of Health to provide reports of professional liability actions and bankruptcies; requiring the department to include such reports in a practitioner's profile within a specified period; amending s. 458.320, F.S., relating to financial responsibility requirements for medical physicians; specifying dimensions, placement, and font size for certain notices; revising mandatory language to be included in a required sign; requiring the department to suspend the license of a medical physician who has not paid, up to the amounts required by any applicable financial responsibility provision, any outstanding judgment, arbitration award, other order, or settlement; amending s. 458.331, F.S.; providing grounds for disciplinary actions; requiring an explicit statement of certain findings in a recommended order or a final order or a publication; providing that refusal to provide health care to a patient participating in pending or past litigation or a disciplinary action is grounds for disciplinary action under certain circumstances; increasing the monetary threshold amount for establishing that a medical physician has engaged in repeated malpractice; amending s. 459.0085, F.S., relating to financial responsibility requirements for osteopathic physicians; requiring that the department suspend the license of an osteopathic physician who has not paid, up to the amounts required by any applicable financial responsibility provision, any outstanding judgment, arbitration award, other order, or settlement; amending s. 459.015, F.S., relating to grounds for disciplinary actions; increasing the monetary threshold amount for establishing that an osteopathic physician has engaged in repeated malpractice; providing civil immunity for certain participants in quality improvement processes; designating as privileged certain communications by patient safety organizations; clarifying that certain documents and communications are not privileged; requiring that certain committees and other specified entities provide a list of documents or communications for which privilege is asserted; providing for in camera review; providing for determination of whether privilege applies as asserted; specifying information included in such a list; providing for protection of patient-identifying information; requiring that patient safety data be given quarterly to the Department of Health, the Agency for Health Care Administration, and the Department of Financial Services; directing the Department of Health and the Department of Financial Services to jointly publish a list of certain specified health care practitioners who do not carry malpractice insurance and stating the last date the practitioner was covered by professional liability insurance; requiring that a specific statement be included in each final settlement statement relating to medical malpractice actions; prohibiting confidential legal settlements in medical malpractice actions; providing requirements for the closed claim form of the Department of Financial Services; requiring the Department of Financial Services to compile annual statistical reports pertaining to closed claims; requiring historical statistical summaries; specifying certain information to be included on the closed claim form; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1914—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career and technical education; providing legislative intent; requiring career and technical education programs within a comprehensive high school program of study to be industry certified; requiring State Board of Education rules for the certification process; providing full-time equivalent student funding for student enrollment; requiring articulation with postsecondary programs; providing academic requirements for students enrolled in career and technical education programs; providing for a career and technical education endorsement on a high school diploma and incentive funding to school districts for students receiving the endorsement; providing professional development programs for guidance counselors and career specialists; amending s. 1003.491, F.S.; providing certain responsibilities for district school boards and superintendents; amending s. 1011.62, F.S., relating to the Florida Education Finance Program; providing for funding of career and technical education programs; revising a program group; providing incentive funding for attainment of high school career and technical education endorsements as a categorical program; amending s. 1012.01, F.S.; revising a personnel classification

title; requiring a study by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Government Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1916—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; authorizing individual district school boards by resolution to allow invocation or benediction at specified secondary school-related events; providing legislative intent; providing severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 1918—A bill to be entitled An act relating to behavioral health; providing legislative intent with respect to the provision of mental health and substance abuse services through the creation of an Agency for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services within the Department of Children and Family Services; defining “mental health and substance abuse services” for purposes of the act; creating part VI of ch. 394, F.S., entitled “Agency for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services”; creating s. 394.95, F.S.; creating the Agency for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; providing the mission of the agency; requiring the agency to develop a strategic plan and collaborative agreements with state agencies; providing for responsibilities of the agency; providing that the head of the agency shall be the director of the Agency for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; providing duties and responsibilities of the director; providing for a Division Director for Mental Health and a Division Director for Substance Abuse; providing duties and responsibilities of the division directors; providing service structure of the agency; providing for the appointment of a statewide policy board by the Governor for the purpose of making recommendations to the director regarding policy, budget, and other matters relating to the management of the mental health and substance abuse systems developed by the agency; providing for a transition team to plan the transition of responsibility for the provision of mental health and substance abuse services from the existing mental health and substance abuse programs of the Department of Children and Family Services to the Agency for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; providing membership of the transition team; requiring the development of a transition plan; prescribing plan components; providing for a type two transfer of all powers, duties, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds of the mental health and substance abuse programs of the Department of Children and Family Services to the Agency for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services by a specified date; providing for continuation of administrative rules; providing for continuation of judicial or administrative proceedings; amending s. 394.741, F.S.; revising and providing additional accreditation requirements for providers of behavioral health care services; amending s. 409.912, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to seek federal approval to contract with a single entity to provide comprehensive behavioral health care services to Medicaid recipients; requiring the agency to contract with a single managed entity to provide comprehensive inpatient and outpatient mental health and substance abuse services through capitated prepaid arrangements to Medicaid recipients by a specified date; requiring the agency to submit a plan for full implementation of capitated prepaid behavioral health care by a specified date; providing implementation plan requirements and procedures; reenacting s. 394.9082(4)(a), (b), and (d), F.S., relating to the authority of the Department of Children and Family Services and the Agency for Health Care Administration to contract for the provision or management of behavioral health services with a managing entity in specified geographic areas, to incorporate the amendments to s. 409.912, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 641.225(3)(b), F.S., relating to minimum surplus requirements of specified health maintenance organizations providing prepaid capitated services, to incorporate the amendments to s. 409.912, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting s. 636.0145, F.S., relating to license requirements for specified prepaid limited health service organizations providing comprehensive inpatient and outpatient

mental health care services to certain Medicaid recipients through a capitated prepaid arrangement pursuant to federal waiver, to incorporate the amendments to s. 409.912, F.S., in references thereto; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1920—A bill to be entitled An act relating to video lotteries; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to video lotteries; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 1922—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state contracts for pharmaceuticals; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to state contracts for pharmaceuticals; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 1924—A bill to be entitled An act relating to financial services; revising provisions relating to mortgage brokerage and mortgage lending; amending s. 494.0029, F.S.; specifying nontransferability of certain permits; providing requirements for changes in certain ownerships or controlling interests; providing for cancellation and reinstatement of certain permits; amending s. 494.00295, F.S.; clarifying certain professional education provisions as continuing education; amending s. 494.003, F.S.; clarifying types of financial institutions eligible for exemptions from application of certain provisions; amending s. 494.0031, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Financial Services to require information from applicants for licensure; specifying nontransferability of certain licenses; providing requirements for changes in certain ownerships or controlling interests; amending s. 494.0032, F.S.; providing for electronic filing of certain license renewal forms; providing for cancellation and reinstatement of certain licenses; amending s. 494.0033, F.S.; revising mortgage broker licensure requirements; providing for third-party administration of certain tests; authorizing the department to waive an examination requirement for certain individuals under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to assess a fee; amending s. 494.0034, F.S.; providing for electronic filing of certain license renewal forms; providing for cancellation and reinstatement of certain licenses; amending s. 494.0036, F.S.; clarifying a provision for issuance of a mortgage brokerage business branch office license; amending s. 494.006, F.S.; clarifying types of financial institutions eligible for exemptions from application of certain provisions; amending s. 494.0061, F.S.; clarifying application of certain accounting principles; providing requirements for changes in certain ownerships or controlling interests; providing for third-party administration of certain tests; authorizing the department to waive an examination requirement for certain individuals under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to assess a fee; amending s. 494.0062, F.S.; authorizing the department to require information from applicants for licensure; clarifying application of certain accounting principles; providing requirements for changes in certain ownerships or controlling interests; providing for third-party administration of certain tests; authorizing the department to waive an examination requirement for certain individuals under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to assess a fee; amending s. 494.0064, F.S.; providing for electronic filing of certain license renewal forms; clarifying certain professional education provisions as continuing education; providing for

cancellation and reinstatement of certain licenses; amending s. 494.0065, F.S.; clarifying application of certain accounting principles; providing education and testing requirements for principal representatives; authorizing the department to waive an examination requirement for certain individuals under certain circumstances; authorizing the department to assess a fee; requiring mortgage lenders to designate a principal representative for certain purposes; requiring department notification of designation and education of principal representatives; providing for cancellation and reinstatement of certain licenses; amending s. 494.0066, F.S.; providing for cancellation and reinstatement of certain licenses; amending s. 494.0067, F.S.; clarifying certain professional education provisions as continuing education; amending ss. 494.0016, 516.12, 520.997, and 537.009, F.S.; revising the department's authority to regulate certain licensees; authorizing the department to provide by rule requirements for destruction of certain information; clarifying department authority to prescribe by rule certain minimum information to be shown in certain documents; amending s. 517.12, F.S.; specifying an additional depository for certain fees and documents required for registration of certain securities licensees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Regulated Industries; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1926—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "normal retirement date" with respect to members of the Elected Officers Class; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1928—A bill to be entitled An act relating to complaints against health care practitioners; amending s. 456.073, F.S.; providing that a state prisoner must exhaust all available administrative remedies before filing a complaint with the Department of Health against a health care practitioner who is providing health care services within the Department of Corrections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Geller—

SB 1930—A bill to be entitled An act relating to acquisition of public lands; amending s. 259.041, F.S.; decreasing the vote required for approval of acquisition of certain lands from five members to three members of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund; reenacting s. 253.025(7)(e), F.S., for the purpose of incorporating a reference; reenacting s. 259.02, F.S., for the purpose of incorporating a reference; reenacting s. 259.032(8), F.S., for the purpose of incorporating a reference; reenacting s. 260.016(3)(b), F.S., for the purpose of incorporating a reference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lawson—

SB 1932—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the statewide assessment program for public schools; amending s. 1008.22, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the design and implementation of the FCAT; requiring universal design principles that will prevent unintended obstacles for students with disabilities; providing field testing and analysis requirements; requiring the Commissioner of Education to expand the statewide assessment program to include multiple assessment options

leading to a standard high school diploma for students with disabilities; requiring development of assessment options; providing for student accommodations when taking the FCAT or alternate assessments; providing for an appeals process; specifying features and methods for implementation of alternate assessment options for students with disabilities; requiring the commissioner to establish a State Accommodations Panel to review, consider, approve, or disapprove new testing accommodations; providing duties of the panel; providing that the commissioner shall require school districts to be accountable for all students and to provide certain remediation; providing requirements relating to assessment scores; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 1934—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the State Risk Management Trust Fund; amending s. 284.01, F.S.; providing construction; requiring the fund to insure the property and leasehold interests of certain hospital districts under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1936—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicles; creating the Interstate 95 Lane Designation Pilot Project in Palm Beach County; providing legislative purpose; requiring heavy trucks to use the two outermost lanes; providing penalties for violation; directing the Department of Transportation to erect signs; requiring posting of signs prior to citation for violation; providing for repeal; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1938—A bill to be entitled An act relating to paternity; creating s. 382.0136, F.S.; requiring DNA testing at birth and maintenance of such records by the Department of Health; providing for analysis by court order; amending s. 742.011, F.S.; requiring that determination of paternity proceedings be electronically recorded; creating s. 742.125, F.S.; authorizing a new trial with respect to a determination of paternity under certain circumstances; providing conditions for the granting of relief with respect to a motion for a new trial; providing for genetic testing; providing for the payment of fees; providing for costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Children and Families; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1940—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voting absentee ballots in person; amending s. 101.657, F.S.; authorizing the use of certain buildings as branch offices for purposes of voting absentee ballots in person; providing for early voting by absentee ballot in person in the main office or branch offices of the supervisor of elections; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Peaden—

SB 1942—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; creating s. 458.353, F.S.; providing exemptions from public-records requirements for information contained in reports made by physicians of adverse incidents occurring in office practice settings; providing for future review and repeal; providing findings of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 1944—A bill to be entitled An act relating to mobile home owners; amending s. 48.183, F.S.; providing for service of process in an action for possession of residential premises; creating s. 320.08015, F.S.; providing for a license tax surcharge for deposit in the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Trust Fund; amending s. 320.081, F.S.; conforming to the act; amending s. 715.101, F.S.; including a reference to chapter 723, F.S., in the Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act; amending s. 723.007, F.S.; providing a surcharge under the Florida Mobile Home Act on certain mobile home lots for deposit in the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Trust Fund; amending s. 723.023, F.S.; authorizing mobile home park owners to charge a fee for the cost of cleanup or repair of a mobile home or lot under certain circumstances; amending s. 723.037, F.S.; prohibiting the filing of certain actions in circuit court in the event that a request for mediation has not been filed; amending s. 723.041, F.S.; providing for the placement of any size used or new mobile home on a mobile home lot under certain circumstances; amending s. 723.061, F.S.; revising language to include reference to the eviction of a mobile home tenant or a mobile home occupant; amending s. 723.0611, F.S.; providing that persons who receive compensation from the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation shall not have a claim or cause of action against the corporation or the park owner under certain circumstances; amending s. 723.06115, F.S.; revising language with respect to the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Trust Fund; providing reference to the deposit of certain surcharges into the trust fund; amending s. 723.06116, F.S.; increasing certain fees; providing an additional situation in which a mobile home park owner is not required to make certain payments and is not entitled to certain compensation from the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation; amending s. 723.0612, F.S.; revising language with respect to compensation from the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Transportation; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senators Clary, Bennett, Miller, Peaden, Jones and Cowin—

SB 1946—A bill to be entitled An act relating to workers' compensation insurance; providing for startup funding for the Florida Employers Mutual Insurance Company, as created by the act; requiring workers' compensation insurers to report cost data to the Department of Financial Services; requiring insurance carriers to report medical claims data to the Department of Health; providing for the data to be used to determine trends and changes in health care costs associated with workers' compensation claims; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to approve a plan for operating a residual market to guarantee insurance coverage for employers; providing for rates; providing for any deficit to be distributed through an assessment on insurance carriers that write workers' compensation insurance; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to adopt rules; creating the Florida Employers Mutual Insurance Company Act; providing definitions; creating the Florida Employers Mutual Insurance Company to provide workers' compensation insurance and employer's liability coverage; providing for organization of the company as a not-for-profit corporation; providing for a board of directors of the company; providing for appointment of members and terms of office; providing membership qualifications; requiring the board to hire an administrator; providing powers and duties; requiring the administrator to give a bond; providing immunity from liability for official acts taken by a board member, officer, or employee; authorizing the board to establish insur-

ance rates; requiring the board to adopt an investment policy and supervise the investments of the company; authorizing insurance agents or brokers licensed in this state to sell workers' compensation insurance policies for the company; requiring a workplace safety program for policyholders; prohibiting the appropriation of state funds to the company; requiring an annual audit of the books of the company; requiring a report to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring the administrator to submit a budget to the board; requiring the Department of Financial Services to examine the company; providing definitions; prohibiting discrimination in the payment of dividends; providing that it is an unfair trade practice to condition payment of a dividend upon renewal of a policy; prohibiting certain agreements restraining trade; requiring uniform rating plans; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to conduct certain examinations of insurers; providing penalties; providing for a determination of a competitive market in the workers' compensation and employer's liability lines of business; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to monitor the degree of competition; amending s. 440.02, F.S.; revising, providing, and deleting definitions; amending s. 440.05, F.S.; revising requirements relating to submitting notice of election of exemption and maintenance of records; amending s. 440.06, F.S.; revising provisions relating to failure to secure compensation; amending s. 440.077, F.S.; providing that a corporate officer electing to be exempt may not receive benefits under ch. 440, F.S.; amending s. 440.09, F.S.; providing for an increase in compensation if the employer knowingly refused or failed to provide a safety appliance or observe a safety rule; amending s. 440.11, F.S.; providing that certain limitations with respect to an employer's liability do not apply if the employer fails to secure coverage as required; amending s. 440.13, F.S.; revising the number of and period for certain medical services; revising the requirements for contesting a disallowance of payment; establishing certain maximum reimbursement allowances; amending s. 440.15, F.S.; providing that certain time limitations for temporary benefits are presumed sufficient; revising certain benefits for impairment; amending s. 440.16, F.S.; increasing the amount of compensation for funeral expenses and for death; amending s. 440.185, F.S.; revising certain requirements for notice of injury or death; amending s. 440.19, F.S.; revising a limitation on the period for filing a petition for benefits; amending s. 440.381, F.S.; requiring an application for coverage to include job descriptions for the employment for which the employer seeks coverage; requiring that a sworn statement be included with certain audit documents; providing a penalty; amending s. 440.591, F.S.; requiring the Division of Workers' Compensation to adopt rules for a model settlement agreement; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; deleting an exemption for the application of certain rate standards to workers' compensation or employer's liability insurance; amending s. 627.072, F.S.; deleting certain requirements with respect to setting rates for workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance; amending s. 627.0645, F.S.; deleting certain requirements for annual filings; amending s. 627.096, F.S.; providing that certain data and other information submitted to the Workers' Compensation Rating Bureau is a public record; amending s. 627.291, F.S.; deleting requirements for rating organizations to provide certain information; repealing ss. 627.091, 627.101, 627.151, 627.211, and 627.281, F.S., relating to rate filings for workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 1948—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dissolution of corporations; amending s. 607.1406, F.S.; requiring a corporation to publish notification of its dissolution in a newspaper in each county where the corporation owns real or personal property; providing notice requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Bennett and Argenziano—

SB 1950—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending ss. 121.021, 121.0515, F.S.; including state and

local government pilots who provide mosquito control services in the special risk class; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1952—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electrical and alarm system contracting; amending s. 489.517, F.S.; requiring certificate-holders and registrants to have continuing education on false alarm prevention; amending s. 489.518, F.S.; revising qualifications for burglar alarm system agents; requiring additional criminal background check; removing an exemption from training requirements for persons who only perform sales; authorizing employment as an alarm system agent or burglar alarm system agent under supervision for a specified period pending completion of training and the criminal background check; providing format, validity period, and renewal requirements for burglar alarm system agent identification cards; requiring an updated criminal background check of each burglar alarm system agent renewing certification; providing continuing education requirements for burglar alarm system agents; amending s. 489.5185, F.S.; revising qualifications for fire alarm system agents; requiring additional criminal background check; requiring an updated criminal background check of each fire alarm system agent renewing certification; requiring fire alarm system agents to have continuing education on false alarm prevention; amending s. 489.529, F.S.; requiring a second alarm-verification call if the first call is unanswered; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 1954—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the U.S. Paratroopers license plate; restricting eligibility to purchase such plates; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Constantine and Webster—

SB 1956—A bill to be entitled An act relating to growth management; amending s. 163.3184, F.S.; providing a cross-reference; creating s. 163.3247, F.S.; providing a short title; providing legislative intent; providing definitions; identifying those local governments that are subject to the act; requiring that those local governments amend their comprehensive plans to include land use strategies, development controls, and best-management practices to ensure the protection of Florida's springs; requiring certain local governments to develop a Wekiva Sector Plan; providing for transportation requirements for the Wekiva Parkway; providing for regulatory programs and land acquisition; providing for planning assistance to local governments; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1958—A bill to be entitled An act relating to road designations; designating Steven Cranman Boulevard, Ethel Beckford Boulevard, Phicol Williams Boulevard, Arthur Mays Boulevard, and Judge Steve

Levine Boulevard in Miami-Dade County; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 1960—A bill to be entitled An act relating to service of process against the Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting Association; amending s. 627.311, F.S.; specifying that the Florida Automobile Joint Underwriting Association appoints the Chief Financial Officer as agent for service of process purposes; requiring the association to file certain information with the Department of Financial Services; providing a limitation relating to method of service of process; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 1962—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child care facilities; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; requiring child care facilities and private and nonpublic schools within 10 miles of a nuclear power plant to develop and maintain emergency evacuation plans; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Home Defense, Public Security, and Ports.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1964—A bill to be entitled An act relating to licenses for automobile dealers; amending s. 320.62, F.S.; increasing the initial and renewal licensing fees for manufacturers, distributors, and importers of motor vehicles; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1966—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Corrections; amending s. 944.10, F.S.; authorizing the department to contract with federal, state, or local governments to provide security services for detention or commitment facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1968—A bill to be entitled An act relating to long-term care; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to long-term care; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Bullard—

SB 1970—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public schools; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to the performance and operation of public schools; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1972—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public records; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation exempting the information contained in the putative father registry from public disclosure; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1974—A bill to be entitled An act relating to guardian ad litem services; providing legislative findings and intent; creating the Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office within the Justice Administrative Commission; providing for the appointment of an executive director; providing for the duties of the executive director; providing responsibilities of the office; requiring the office to submit to the Governor, legislative leaders, and the Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court an annual report and a plan for meeting the guardian ad litem needs of the state; transferring a pilot program for attorneys ad litem for dependent children to the office; transferring funds and positions to the office; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 1976—A bill to be entitled An act relating to special districts; amending s. 189.4051, F.S.; requiring certain independent water control districts within certain large-population counties to have five-member governing boards who are elected in conjunction with the general election on a nonpartisan basis by the registered voters who are residents of the district; providing for staggered terms; providing applicability to current board members; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1978—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homeowners' associations; amending s. 702.09, F.S.; redefining the term "mortgage" to include liens created pursuant to a homeowners' association as defined in s. 712.01, F.S.; amending s. 718.111, F.S.; revising provisions relating to insurance required for condominium property; revising provisions with respect to official records of a condominium association; authorizing the association to provide certain information to prospective purchasers or lienholders under certain circumstances; providing for immunity from liability; authorizing fees; providing for applicability of amendments; amending s. 718.112, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to condominium bylaws to allow the use of limited proxies for votes taken to waive certain financial reporting requirements; prohibiting the requirement of retrofitting for enhanced fire protection systems under certain circumstances; amending s. 718.303, F.S.; providing that certain actions with respect to the obligation of condominium owners shall not be deemed actions for specific performance; amending s. 719.104, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to official records of a cooperative association; authorizing the association to provide certain information to prospective

purchasers or lienholders under certain circumstances; providing for immunity from liability; authorizing fees; amending s. 719.303, F.S.; providing that certain actions with respect to the obligation of cooperative owners shall not be deemed actions for specific performance; amending s. 720.302, F.S.; providing that corporations not for profit that operate residential homeowners' associations shall be governed by and subject to the provisions of ch. 617, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Banking and Insurance; and Judiciary.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1980—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Lottery; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to the Florida Lottery; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 1982—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of the Lottery; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to the Department of the Lottery; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 1984—A bill to be entitled An act relating to magistrates and masters; amending ss. 26.012, 27.06, 34.01, 48.20, 142.09, 316.635, 373.603, 381.0012, 450.121, 560.306, 633.14, 648.44, 817.482, 828.122, 832.05, 876.42, 893.12, 901.01, 901.02, 901.07, 901.08, 901.09, 901.11, 901.12, 901.25, 902.15, 902.17, 902.20, 902.21, 903.03, 903.32, 903.34, 914.22, 923.01, 933.01, 933.06, 933.07, 933.10, 933.101, 933.13, 933.14, 939.02, 939.14, 941.13, 941.14, 941.15, 941.17, 941.18, 947.141, 948.06, 985.05, F.S., relating to various court procedures; redesignating “magistrates” as “trial court judges”; amending ss. 56.071, 56.29, 61.1826, 64.061, 65.061, 69.051, 70.51, 92.142, 112.41, 112.43, 112.47, 162.03, 162.06, 162.09, 173.09, 173.10, 173.11, 173.12, 194.013, 194.034, 194.035, 206.16, 207.016, 320.411, 393.11, 394.467, 397.311, 397.681, 447.207, 447.403, 447.405, 447.407, 447.409, 475.011, 489.127, 489.531, 496.420, 501.207, 501.618, 559.936, 582.23, 631.182, 631.331, 633.052, 744.369, 760.11, 837.011, 838.014, 839.17, 916.107, 938.30, 945.43, F.S., relating to various administrative and judicial proceedings; redesignating “masters” and “general or special masters” as “general or special magistrates”; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 1986—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public construction bonds; amending s. 255.05, F.S.; providing for a mandatory form for public construction bonds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 1988—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education finance; creating s. 1011.63, F.S.; authorizing school districts to opt out of the restrictions applied to allocations for formula-funded categorical programs and to use such funds at their discretion; providing requirements to obtain such discretionary spending authority; requiring school districts to meet certain performance standards; requiring public notice in local newspapers; requiring reporting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

SR 1990—Not referenced.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1992—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Medal of Heroism; providing that designated persons are eligible to receive the Medal of Heroism; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 1994—A bill to be entitled An act relating to road designations; designating a portion of Interstate 75 as Purple Heart Memorial Highway; designating Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway in Hamilton County; designating Nott Circle Roundabout in Suwannee County; directing the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 1996—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare training academies; amending s. 402.40, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to establish a curriculum of core competencies; directing the department to competitively bid the contract for the training curriculum; providing for the training to be offered by the training academies; directing the department to competitively bid training academy contracts; deleting a requirement that the Department of Children and Family Services contract with Tallahassee Community College for the operation of one or more training academies; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 1998—A bill to be entitled An act relating to brownfield loan guarantees; amending s. 376.86, F.S.; revising certain restrictions on investing funds maintained in the Nonmandatory Land Reclamation Trust Fund; providing for a schedule for legislative review of the Brownfield Areas Loan Guarantee Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 2000—A bill to be entitled An act relating to juvenile proceedings; amending s. 985.219, F.S.; providing the time period within which a

juvenile must be brought for an adjudicatory hearing; repealing Rule 8.090, Florida Rules of Juvenile Procedure, relating to a speedy trial, to the extent that it is inconsistent with the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 2002—A bill to be entitled An act relating to law enforcement officer training; amending s. 943.16, F.S.; providing for reimbursement of tuition, wages, and benefits by a law enforcement trainee who terminates his or her employment in an employing agency's basic recruit training program; authorizing an employing agency to commence a civil action for its reimbursement; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 2004—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funeral vehicle lights; amending s. 316.2397, F.S.; authorizing vehicles used by funeral homes or the clergy to display flashing purple lights while in a funeral procession; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Comprehensive Planning; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Clary—

SB 2006—A bill to be entitled An act relating to educator certification and discipline; creating s. 1012.561, F.S.; requiring each certified educator and applicant for certification as an educator to notify the Bureau of Educator Certification in writing of his or her current mailing address; providing a penalty for noncompliance; authorizing service by regular mail for certain purposes; amending s. 1012.79, F.S.; amending the number of members required for certain panels of the Education Practices Commission; amending s. 1012.795, F.S., relating to the Education Practices Commission's authority to discipline; revising grounds for discipline; providing penalties; amending s. 1012.796, F.S.; requiring certain agencies to provide unredacted documents to the Department of Education for purposes of investigating and prosecuting certified educators and applicants for certification; providing minimum standards that a probationer must meet; revising penalties that the Education Practices Commission may impose; revising criteria for the use of an order to show cause; amending s. 1012.798, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the recovery network program for educators; amending s. 943.0585, F.S.; allowing certain employers of educators to have access to expunged records; amending s. 943.059, F.S.; allowing certain employers of educators to have access to sealed records; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Crist—

SB 2008—A bill to be entitled An act relating to stolen property; amending s. 812.022, F.S.; providing that proof of possession of certain misappropriated property gives rise to an inference that the person buying or selling the property knew or should have known that it had been stolen; providing a defense to such an inference; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Crist—

SB 2010—A bill to be entitled An act relating to youthful offenders; amending s. 958.04, F.S., relating to judicial disposition of youthful offenders; providing that the court may not sentence as youthful offenders certain offenders who have pled nolo contendere or guilty to, or been found guilty of, capital felonies, life felonies, first-degree felonies, or second-degree felonies involving the use or threatened use of force or violence; increasing the maximum period of commitment of a youthful offender to the custody of the Department of Corrections or maximum period of incarceration or placement under supervision on probation or community control; removing legislative declaration with respect to construction of a basic training program facility; reenacting s. 958.03(5), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "youthful offender," s. 958.046, F.S., relating to placement in county-operated boot camp programs for youthful offenders, s. 958.11(4), F.S., relating to designation of institutions and programs for youthful offenders and assignment from youthful offender institutions and programs, and s. 985.233(4)(c), F.S., relating to the imposition of adult sanctions, to incorporate the amendment to s. 958.04, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 958.045, F.S., relating to the youthful offender basic training program; revising the sanctions for a youthful offender in the basic training program who becomes unmanageable; allowing the department to revoke the offender's gain-time, to terminate the offender's participation in the program, and to return the offender to the general population of inmates in the correctional system; requiring a report to the court; authorizing the court to reimpose sentence; providing for alternative placement on probation or community control of an offender who has completed the basic training program; providing for the offender to remain on community control upon release from a community residential program; providing for revocation of community control and sentencing of the offender if the offender violates the conditions of community control; conforming terminology; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2012—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home-invasion robbery; amending s. 812.135, F.S.; providing additional offense classifications and revising the penalties for home-invasion robbery; providing that it is a life felony to commit a home-invasion robbery in the course of which a firearm or other deadly weapon is carried; providing that it is a first-degree felony punishable by a term of imprisonment not exceeding life imprisonment to commit a home-invasion robbery in the course of which a weapon is carried; providing penalties; reenacting s. 943.325(1), F.S., relating to blood specimen testing for DNA analysis, to incorporate the amendment made by this act in a reference; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code offense severity ranking chart, to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2014—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the practice of naturopathic medicine; redesignating ch. 462, F.S., as "Naturopathic Medicine," rather than "Naturopathy"; creating s. 462.001, F.S.; providing legislative findings and purpose; amending s. 462.01, F.S.; defining and redefining terms used in ch. 462, F.S.; creating s. 462.0215, F.S.; creating the Board of Naturopathic Medicine; providing membership and duties of the board; providing guidelines for probable cause panels and disciplinary decisions; providing applicability of ch. 456, F.S.; amending ss. 462.023, 462.13, 462.14, 462.19, F.S.; providing duties of the board and the Department of Health; amending s. 462.08, F.S.; conforming terminology; revising the maximum amount of the biennial license fee; amending s. 462.11, F.S.; conforming terminology; amending s. 462.13, F.S.; conforming terminology; providing duties of the board; providing additional duties of the Department of Health; providing requirements for license applications; providing conditions under which applications are considered withdrawn; amending s. 462.14, F.S.; amending grounds for disciplinary action; authorizing the department to file a petition for

enforcement, as specified; defining terms; reassigning certain department responsibilities to the board; providing for rulemaking; providing evidentiary standards; allowing the Division of Medical Quality Assurance to bring a legal action in certain circumstances; providing for investigations by the department; providing procedures; providing requirements for orders; amending ss. 462.16, 462.17, F.S.; conforming terminology; amending s. 462.18, F.S., relating to educational requirements; providing that the section applies only to naturopathic physicians licensed before a specified date; providing that certain rights and privileges are retained; creating s. 462.195, F.S.; providing requirements for licensure as a naturopathic physician; providing grounds for denying or restricting licenses; providing for the applicability of certain rights to naturopathic physicians who have certain qualifications; creating s. 462.196, F.S.; providing educational requirements for naturopathic physicians licensed after a specified date; providing exemptions from licensure requirements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 2016—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funeral and cemetery services; amending s. 497.005, F.S.; revising and providing definitions; creating s. 497.306, F.S.; providing dimension and spacing standards for grave spaces; requiring a map of reference markers and a land survey for areas proposed to be developed by a licensed cemetery company; exempting adult grave spaces previously established; creating s. 497.307, F.S.; providing requirements for identification of human remains in licensed cemeteries; amending s. 497.405, F.S.; prohibiting any person from advertising for sale or making any arrangement for a preneed contract without having a valid certificate of authority; expanding the exemption from the required certificate of authority for certain religious-institution-owned cemeteries to include the sale and opening or closing of cremation interment containers to members and family members of the religious institution; amending s. 497.419, F.S.; requiring preneed contracts to include in the refund notice the exclusion for amounts allocable to burial rights, merchandise, and services used by the purchaser; amending s. 497.436, F.S.; authorizing the Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services to review the trust funds, trust agreements, and outstanding preneed contracts of, and perform other procedures at its discretion with respect to, a certificateholder filing notice to become inactive; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2018—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sales disclosures; creating s. 475.423, F.S.; specifying the transactions that are subject to the requirements of the act; providing definitions; requiring that certain disclosures be made by the transferor or his or her agent with respect to real property located within a flood hazard area, an area with severe constraints for development, an area having sinkhole activity, a well-head protection area, a priority wetland zone, a habitat conservation area, an airport influence area, an environmental site, or a radon gas zone; providing that the waiver of such requirements is against public policy; providing certain exceptions; specifying the form to be used as the Property Identification Disclosure Statement; providing requirements for identifying information that accompanies the disclosure statement; prohibiting the use of the disclosure statement by certain entities other than the transferor, the transferor's agents, and the transferee; providing requirements for delivery of the required disclosure statement; providing a limitation with respect to liability for errors, inaccuracy, or omissions; requiring a third party that provides information with respect to the disclosure statement to maintain a specified amount of insurance protection; providing that certain subsequent inaccuracies with respect to the information disclosed are not a violation of the act; requiring that disclosures be made in good faith; providing that the act does not limit or abridge other disclosures required by law; authorizing the amendment of a disclosure; providing for delivery of disclosures;

providing requirements for the licensee or broker acting as an agent in a transaction subject to the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Banking and Insurance; and Regulated Industries.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 2020—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health flex plans; amending s. 408.909, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “health flex plans”; authorizing plans to limit the term of coverage; extending the required period without coverage before one is eligible to participate; extending the expiration date for the program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Clary—

SB 2022—A bill to be entitled An act relating to physician assistants; amending ss. 458.347 and 459.022, F.S.; revising continuing medical education requirements regarding the prescribing of controlled substances by physician assistants; deleting prohibitions against the prescribing of controlled substances by physician assistants; amending s. 893.02, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “practitioner” for purposes of the Florida Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act to include physician assistant; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; and Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services.

By Senator Miller—

SB 2024—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult video games; prohibiting the sale or rental of an adult video game to a person younger than a specified age; providing that a person buying or renting an adult video game be required to present proof of age; defining the term “adult video game”; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Children and Families; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Posey—

SB 2026—A bill to be entitled An act relating to specialty contractors; providing for the regulation of certain specialty contractors who do not work statewide; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Comprehensive Planning; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2028—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community redevelopment; amending ss. 163.355, 163.358, 163.360, 163.361, 163.387, and 163.410, F.S.; requiring the governing body of a county with a home rule charter to exercise certain authority with regard to a finding of necessity for community redevelopment, the creation, approval, modification, or amendment of a community redevelopment agency, area, or plan, and use of moneys in the redevelopment trust fund; providing for applicability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2030—A bill to be entitled An act relating to offenses by public servants; creating the “Citizens’ Right to Honest Government Act”; amending s. 16.56, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Statewide Prosecution to prosecute violations of ch. 838, F.S.; amending s. 838.014, F.S.; revising, providing, and deleting definitions; amending ss. 838.015, 838.016, F.S.; increasing penalties for bribery and for unlawful compensation for official behavior; creating ss. 838.022, 838.20, 838.21, 838.22, 838.23, 838.24, F.S.; providing criminal penalties for official misconduct, criminal misuse of official position, disclosure or use of confidential criminal justice information, and bid tampering; providing status of confidential informants or confidential sources; authorizing public servants who are subjected to an investigation for official misconduct to recover attorney’s fees; amending s. 837.02, F.S.; providing a criminal penalty for perjury in an official proceeding by a public servant; amending s. 921.0022, F.S.; deleting specified felonies from and adding specified felonies to the Criminal Punishment Code offense severity ranking chart; repealing s. 838.15, F.S., relating to commercial bribe receiving; repealing s. 838.16, F.S., relating to commercial bribery; amending ss. 112.3173, 121.091, F.S., to conform cross-references; amending s. 905.34, F.S.; expanding the jurisdiction of the statewide grand jury to include violations of ch. 838, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Ethics and Elections; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2032—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public food establishments; creating s. 509.085, F.S.; creating a recognition program for public food service establishments; providing operational guidelines; requiring the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2034—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the high-speed rail system; amending s. 341.8203, F.S.; deleting the term “associated development” from the definition of “high-speed rail system”; amending s. 341.840, F.S.; providing that the Florida High-Speed Rail Authority, its agent, or the owner of the high-speed rail system is not required to pay taxes or assessments related to the operation of the high-speed rail system; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2036—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Uniform Commercial Code; amending s. 672.316, F.S.; providing that the procurement, processing, storage, distribution, or use of blood shall be considered a medical service; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2038—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement; providing a popular name; providing legislative intent; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; revising provisions relating to benefits payable for total and permanent disability for certain Special Risk Class members of the Florida Retirement

System who are injured in the line of duty; providing for reemployment of retired deputy sheriffs; amending ss. 175.191 and 185.18, F.S.; providing minimum retirement benefits payable to certain Special Risk Class members who are injured in the line of duty and who are totally and permanently disabled due to such injury; providing for contribution rate increases to fund benefits provided in s. 121.091, F.S., as amended; directing the Division of Statutory Revision to adjust contribution rates set forth in s. 121.071, F.S.; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2040—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state attorneys; amending s. 27.25, F.S.; authorizing state attorneys to employ process servers; providing for the power of such process servers; amending s. 27.251, F.S.; providing for special criminal task force investigators employed by state attorneys; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2042—A bill to be entitled An act relating to state reserves; creating s. 258.166, F.S.; establishing the Rodman Reservoir State Reserve; directing the Division of Recreation and Parks of the Department of Environmental Protection to develop multipurpose recreational opportunities and provide supervision of the area; allowing public hunting; authorizing the Division of State Lands to acquire adjacent or contiguous property; requiring the Division of State Lands to notify persons with easements in the area; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2044—A bill to be entitled An act relating to ad valorem taxation of mobile homes; amending s. 193.075, F.S.; providing for taxing mobile homes as real property under all circumstances; amending ss. 320.01, 320.03, 320.031, 320.04, 320.055, 320.0607, 320.08, 320.081, 320.0815, and 320.26, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to imposing license taxes upon mobile homes; amending ss. 212.0601, 320.06, 320.0802, 320.0804, 320.08046, 320.13, and 320.133, F.S., to conform; repealing s. 320.015, F.S., relating to taxation of mobile homes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2046—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; amending s. 921.16, F.S.; prohibiting a court from directing that a sentence be served coterminously with a sentence imposed by another court, a court of another state, or a federal court; removing provisions providing for notification to another jurisdiction in the event of a coterminous sentence; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 2048—A bill to be entitled An act relating to electric utility easements; creating s. 704.09, F.S.; providing for the creation of such easements by continuous use; providing exceptions, limitations, and rights of use; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Judiciary; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 2050—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child custody; providing a presumption of good faith for the actions of a court-appointed psychologist who conducts a child custody evaluation; prohibiting anonymous complaints; providing prerequisites to a parent's bringing a legal action against the psychologist; providing for the award of reasonable attorney's fees and reasonable court costs; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 2052—A bill to be entitled An act relating to universal telecommunications services; amending s. 364.025, F.S.; extending a transition period for the implementation of an interim mechanism for maintaining certain service objectives; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2054—A bill to be entitled An act relating to community-based social services initiatives; creating s. 409.033, F.S.; providing legislative intent that local government matching funds shall be used to the extent possible to match federal funding where state funding is inadequate to use such federal funding; requiring agencies to create plans to utilize local matching funds; making participation by local governments voluntary; requiring reports; amending s. 409.1671, F.S.; authorizing the transfer of funds for child welfare legal services to community-based providers; deleting the requirement for contracts for legal services in certain counties; requiring certain actions by a technical assistance team prior to a lead community-based provider services contract being signed; decreasing the amount of automobile liability insurance required of certain community-based care providers and the amount of economic damages which may be claimed; deleting certain termination of services notice requirements; requiring the payment of certain administrative costs incurred by lead community-based providers; amending s. 409.16745, F.S.; changing eligibility requirements for participation in the community partnership matching grant program; amending s. 409.175, F.S.; providing for an assessment by a family services counselor and approval by a supervisor, rather than a comprehensive behavioral health assessment, of children in certain family foster homes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Judiciary; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Alexander—

SB 2056—A bill to be entitled An act relating to driving or boating under the influence of controlled substances; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; providing that persons driving with specified amounts of certain substances in their blood or urine are guilty of the offense of driving under the influence; providing an exception; providing penalties; amending s. 327.35, F.S.; providing that persons operating a vessel with specified

amounts of certain substances in their blood or urine are guilty of the offense of boating under the influence; providing an exception; providing penalties; reenacting ss. 316.066, 316.072, 316.1932, 316.1933, 316.1934, 316.1937, 316.1939, 316.656, 318.143, 318.17, 322.03, 322.0602, 322.12, 322.25, 322.26, 322.2615, 322.2616, 322.264, 322.271, 322.28, 322.282, 322.291, 322.34, 322.44, 322.63, 322.64, 493.6106, 627.758, 790.06, 903.36, 907.041, 938.21, 938.23, 943.05, and 960.03, F.S.; incorporating the amendment to s. 316.193, F.S., in references thereto; reenacting ss. 327.352, 327.35215, 327.353, 327.354, 327.355, 327.359, and 327.36, F.S.; incorporating the amendment to s. 327.35, F.S., in references thereto; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Dockery and Fasano—

SB 2058—A bill to be entitled An act relating to governmental reorganization; creating s. 20.241, F.S.; creating the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; providing for organization of that department; transferring powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, and funds of the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to said department; transferring legal authorities and actions of that division; transferring support positions; transferring trust funds, portions of trust funds, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; transferring authority and responsibility of the division for the enforcement of laws to the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; transferring authority and responsibility of the members of the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to the members of the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; transferring authority and responsibility for appointment of the auxiliary to the Florida Highway Patrol to the director of the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; transferring authority and responsibility of the members of the auxiliary to the Florida Highway Patrol to the members of the auxiliary to the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; transferring authority and responsibility for maintaining the Florida Highway Patrol wrecker operator system to the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; providing the Governor with specific organizational authority to effect restructuring of said departments; authorizing said departments to enter into interagency agreements for certain purposes; providing for transfer of funds into the Administrative Trust Fund; authorizing the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol to request creation of trust funds; requiring driver license information obtained by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to be available on a priority basis to the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; specifying that rules of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles relating to said division become rules of the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; providing for preservation of validity of judicial or administrative actions; providing for substitution of certain parties in interest in such actions; providing legislative intent relating to statutory responsibility for enforcement of traffic laws becoming the responsibility of the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; providing legislative intent relating to job classifications, pay plans, rank classifications, employment statuses, assignments, and special assignments remaining in effect upon transfer; providing legislative intent relating to statutory responsibility for certain appointments becoming the responsibility of the director of the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; providing for conforming legislation; providing for assistance of certain legislative substantive committees by the Division of Statutory Revision for certain purposes; amending s. 20.24, F.S., relating to organization of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; removing the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol; amending s. 110.2035, F.S.; maintaining pay band classifications of the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol when transferred to the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; amending s. 23.1231, F.S., relating to the Florida Mutual Aid Plan; providing for coordination between the liaison and the Department of the Florida Highway Patrol; amending ss. 120.80, 282.1095, 316.003, 316.640, 321.02, 321.03, 321.04, 321.05, 321.051, 321.23, 321.25, 338.239, and 943.11, F.S., relating to administrative hearing procedures, the Joint Task Force on State Agency Law Enforcement Communications, the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law, enforcement of traffic laws, powers and duties of highway

patrol, imitation of highway patrol vehicles, personnel and rank, duties and functions and powers of patrol officers, the Florida Highway Patrol wrecker operator system, public records, training provided at patrol schools, traffic control on the turnpike system, and Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission membership; conforming provisions to the reorganization and transfers made by the act; amending ss. 72.011, 213.015, 215.26, and 519.101, F.S.; conforming references to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 321.065, F.S., relating to employment of traffic accident investigation officers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senators Dockery and Fasano—

SB 2060—A bill to be entitled An act relating to suspended or expired driver's licenses and motor vehicle registrations; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to penalties for suspended or expired driver's licenses and motor vehicle registrations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lee—

SB 2062—A bill to be entitled An act relating to scholarship funding tax credits; amending s. 220.187, F.S.; increasing the total amount of tax credit which may be granted each state fiscal year; providing for the scholarship amounts awarded to be annually adjusted based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Lee—

SB 2064—A bill to be entitled An act relating to phosphate mining; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to phosphate mining; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Jones—

SB 2066—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; providing legislative findings and intent; amending s. 456.72, F.S.; providing that a practitioner's failure to disclose training constitutes grounds for disciplinary action; providing an exception; amending s. 458.309, F.S.; establishing criteria applicable to boards that certify practitioners; amending s. 458.331, F.S.; providing requirements for advertising by physicians licensed under ch. 458, F.S.; amending s. 458.3312, F.S.; providing prerequisites for claiming to be a board-certified specialist; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Regulated Industries; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

SR 2068—Not referenced.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2070—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public transit; amending s. 341.031, F.S.; defining new terms for purposes of the Florida Public Transit Act; amending s. 341.041, F.S.; including intercity bus service as part of the transit responsibilities of the Department of Transportation; amending s. 341.051, F.S.; authorizing the department to receive federal and state funding for intercity bus service; amending s. 341.052, F.S.; providing that public transit block grant program funds may be expended on costs of intercity bus service development; requiring that the department distribute a certain percentage of the funds designated for the public transit block program for intercity bus service; amending s. 341.053, F.S.; including intercity bus lines within the state's intermodal freight network; providing that intercity bus service is one the projects eligible for funding under the Intermodal Development Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2072—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homicide of an unborn quick child; defining the term “unborn quick child”; amending s. 316.193, F.S.; including the death of an unborn quick child under DUI manslaughter; amending s. 782.071, F.S.; making the killing of an unborn quick child rather than the killing of a viable fetus a “vehicular homicide”; deleting a provision describing the viability of a fetus; amending s. 782.09, F.S.; providing that killing an unborn quick child by injury to the mother which would be murder in any degree if it resulted in the death of the mother is murder in the same degree; providing penalties; providing that the unlawful killing of an unborn quick child by injury to the mother which would be manslaughter if it resulted in the death of the mother is manslaughter; providing penalties; providing that the death of the mother does not bar prosecution under specified circumstances; providing that the section does not authorize prosecution of a person in connection with a termination of pregnancy; amending s. 921.0022, F.S., relating to the Criminal Punishment Code offense severity ranking chart; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 2074—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health care; providing a popular name; providing purposes; establishing the Citizens' Health Care Working Group; providing for membership and criteria therefor; providing for term of membership; providing for a chair; requiring public hearings; requiring a report; providing for community health care meetings and for dissemination of recommendations; providing for staff of the working group; providing for travel expenses; requiring a report to the Legislature; providing for termination of the working group; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 2076—A bill to be entitled An act relating to assault on a sports official; creating s. 784.0815, F.S.; defining the term “sports official”; providing an additional penalty for assault upon a sports official under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 2078—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical practice; creating s. 458.3137, F.S.; authorizing issuance of temporary certificates for visiting physicians to obtain medical privileges for instructional purposes in conjunction with certain plastic surgery training programs and plastic surgery educational symposiums; providing for issuance of such certificates without examination to applicants who meet specified requirements; specifying the validity period of such certificates; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 2080—A bill to be entitled An act relating to insurance; amending s. 501.212, F.S.; deleting an exclusion from application of deceptive and unfair trade practices provisions to the Department of Insurance; creating s. 624.156, F.S.; providing that certain consumer protection laws apply to the business of insurance; amending s. 627.041, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 627.062, F.S.; specifying nonapplication to professional medical malpractice insurance; amending s. 627.314, F.S.; revising certain authorized actions multiple insurers may engage in together; prohibiting certain conduct on the part of insurers; amending s. 627.357, F.S.; deleting a prohibition against forming a medical malpractice self-insurance fund; amending s. 627.4147, F.S.; revising certain notification criteria; providing for application of a discount or surcharge or alternative method based on loss experience in determining the premium paid by a health care provider; providing requirements; providing a limitation; amending s. 627.912, F.S.; increases the limit on a fine; requiring provision of certain financial information to the Office of Insurance Regulation; authorizing an administrative fine for failure to comply; requiring the director of the office to prepare and submit to the Governor and Legislature an annual report; creating s. 627.41491, F.S.; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to provide health care providers with a full disclosure of certain rate comparison information each year; creating s. 627.41493, F.S.; requiring a medical malpractice insurance rate rollback; providing for subsequent increases under certain circumstances; requiring approval for use of certain medical malpractice insurance rates; creating s. 627.41495, F.S.; providing for consumer participation in review of medical malpractice rate changes; providing for public inspection; providing for adoption of rules by the Office of Insurance Regulation; creating s. 627.41497, F.S.; requiring certain medical malpractice insurance rates to be set by the director of the Office of Insurance Regulation; providing for approval of rate filings; requiring insurers to apply for certain rates, schedules, and manuals; providing procedures for application and review; providing review criteria; providing approval standards; authorizing the office to require certain additional information for review; requiring adoption of certain rules; providing for reports of certain information; requiring the office to retain such reports for a time certain; requiring medical malpractice insurers to file certain information with the office; authorizing the office to review rates, schedules, manuals, or rate changes at any time for certain purposes; providing procedures; requiring the office to issue orders for setting new rates; prohibiting the office from prohibiting insurers from paying certain acquisition costs for certain purposes; providing application; excluding certain judgment or settlement amounts, taxable costs, and attorney's fees from inclusion in an insurer's rate base; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Appropriations.

By Senator Webster—

SB 2082—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the disposition of fetal remains; creating s. 383.33625, F.S.; providing a popular name; providing that where a health practitioner has custody of fetal remains following a spontaneous fetal demise, the health practitioner must notify the mother of her option of burial or cremation of the fetal remains; providing requirements with respect to notification; directing the Department of Health to develop forms for health practitioners; providing that where a facility has custody of fetal remains following a spontaneous fetal demise, the facility must notify the mother of her option of burial or

cremation of the fetal remains; directing the Agency for Health Care Administration to develop forms for facilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2084—A bill to be entitled An act relating to drug prescriptions; creating s. 456.42, F.S.; requiring written drug prescriptions to be legibly typed or printed, to contain certain information, and to be signed and dated by the prescribing practitioner on the day issued; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2086—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2088—A bill to be entitled An act relating to alcoholic beverages; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to alcoholic beverages; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2090—A bill to be entitled An act relating to safety belt law enforcement; amending s. 316.614, F.S.; providing exception to enforcement as a secondary action; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 2092—A bill to be entitled An act relating to adult protection teams; amending s. 415.1102, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to develop, maintain, and coordinate the services of multidisciplinary adult protection teams in each district; defining the term "multidisciplinary adult protection team"; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2094—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school personnel; amending s. 1012.61, F.S.; authorizing annual payment for accumulated sick leave to any full-time employee of the district school board; revising provisions relating to terminal pay for accumulated sick leave

to certain full-time employees of the district school board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Wasserman Schultz, Siplin, Wilson, Margolis, Argenziano and Dawson—

SB 2096—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing homes; requiring a portion of nursing home Medicaid per diem funds to be used to fund certain wage or benefit increases; providing guidelines; requiring the development of application and monitoring systems; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2098—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription drugs; creating s. 409.960, F.S.; providing a popular name; creating s. 409.962, F.S.; creating “The LifeSaver Rx Program”; providing purpose of the program; creating s. 409.964, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 409.966, F.S.; providing that the Secretary of Health Care Administration shall operate the LifeSaver Rx Program as a state pharmaceutical assistance program to provide discounts to participants for prescription drugs covered by a rebate agreement; providing that the secretary shall negotiate discount prices or rebates for prescription drugs from manufacturers or labelers; providing that the Agency for Health Care Administration shall contract with participating retail pharmacies to deliver discounted prices to program participants; providing factors to be considered in negotiating discounts or rebates; providing for quarterly calculation of discounts; creating s. 409.968, F.S.; providing for calculation of payment by program participants and the agency; requiring participating retail pharmacies in the state to charge the rate allowable under the Medicaid program for prescription drugs sold to program participants; providing for rate of reimbursement of participating retail pharmacies; creating s. 409.970, F.S.; providing requirements for program eligibility; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to establish enrollment procedures; providing for an annual enrollment fee; providing for use of enrollment fees and rebates from drug manufacturers; creating s. 409.972, F.S.; providing for operation of the program; authorizing the Board of Pharmacy to adopt certain rules; creating s. 409.974, F.S.; providing procedure for resolution of discrepancies in rebate amounts; creating s. 409.976, F.S.; requiring an annual report; creating s. 409.978, F.S.; authorizing coordination with other programs; creating s. 409.980, F.S.; authorizing the agency to adopt rules; creating s. 409.982, F.S.; authorizing the agency to seek certain waivers; providing a specified contribution by the agency toward the cost of prescription drugs purchased by program participants; providing severability; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2100—A bill to be entitled An act relating to student financial assistance; amending s. 1009.57, F.S.; requiring the Florida Teacher Scholarship and Forgivable Loan Program to provide scholarship assistance to education paraprofessionals and substitute teachers seeking certification to teach in critical teacher shortage areas; establishing a scholarship loan program to provide scholarship loans to students who teach in poor or underperforming areas in the state; providing eligibility requirements; providing for loan forgiveness; amending s. 1009.58, F.S.; expanding the critical teacher shortage tuition reimbursement program; authorizing tuition reimbursement for courses needed for recertification; authorizing certain tuition-free courses on a space-available basis;

amending s. 1009.59, F.S.; specifying that the Critical Teacher Shortage Student Loan Forgiveness Program applies to personnel seeking employment in certain high priority location areas; increasing the amount of loan principal repayments; amending s. 1003.52, F.S.; conforming provisions; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2102—A bill to be entitled An act relating to birth defects; creating s. 381.00323, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to maintain and expand the Florida Birth Defects Registry; providing confidentiality of certain information held by the department; providing legislative intent regarding funding; providing requirements for a program of pilot projects for an active birth defects reporting and prevention system; requiring a summary of outcomes; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2104—A bill to be entitled An act relating to title insurance; amending s. 624.608, F.S.; excluding certain casualty insurance from the definition of title insurance; amending s. 627.784, F.S.; deleting a reference to guarantee of title in a prohibition against issuing title insurance under certain circumstances; amending s. 627.786, F.S.; authorizing title insurers to issue certain policies or certificates insuring a lien securing certain loans or mortgages under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2106—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter technical career centers; amending s. 1002.34, F.S.; allowing charter technical career sponsors to submit full-time-enrollment membership data as defined in the charter agreement; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2108—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water and wastewater utilities; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to water and wastewater utilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2110—A bill to be entitled An act relating to metropolitan planning organizations; amending s. 120.52, F.S.; redefining the term “agency” for the purposes of the Administrative Procedure Act; amending s. 339.175, F.S.; providing authority for metropolitan planning organizations and political subdivisions to form separate legal or administrative entities for the purpose of coordinating regional transportation planning and development goals and purposes; specifying how the entity shall be

created and operated; exempting the entity from the Administrative Procedure Act; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Comprehensive Planning; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2112—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public employers; amending s. 447.203, F.S.; providing successor public employers to the Florida Board of Education; amending s. 447.309, F.S.; providing specific obligations for successor public employers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2114—A bill to be entitled An act relating to voter education; requiring district school boards and county supervisors of elections jointly to provide a program of voter education for high-school seniors; providing guidelines for the content of the educational program; requiring that the program of voter education be conducted during school hours; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Smith—

SB 2116—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public K-12 education; creating s. 1003.09, F.S.; providing a definition of the term “school property”; requiring reports to law enforcement agencies or agents of forcible felonies, or threats of forcible felonies, on school property; providing penalties for noncompliance; providing that a person reporting in good faith shall be immune from liability; prohibiting immunity to suspected persons; providing for civil cause of action under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senators Dockery and Alexander—

SB 2118—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public nuisances; amending s. 893.138, F.S.; clarifying the uses of property that constitute a public nuisance; providing for closure of property if occupancy of the property materially contributes to the nuisance; providing exceptions; providing that closure of property constituting an unabated nuisance is not a taking; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Judiciary.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 2120—A bill to be entitled An act relating to medical malpractice; amending s. 766.102, F.S.; revising required criteria for an expert witness to give expert testimony concerning the prevailing professional standard of care; revising required criteria for an expert witness to give testimony concerning a general practitioner; providing for such expert witnesses to give testimony with respect to other medical staff and administrative staff; providing for a specialist to be considered “a similar health care provider” under certain circumstances; amending s. 766.104, F.S.; increasing the period for extending the statute of limitations in a medical negligence case; creating s. 766.1045, F.S.; providing for recommending a case following discontinuance or dismissal under limited circumstances; amending s. 766.106, F.S.; providing requirements for the

notice to prospective defendants; revising requirements for the response provided to a claimant; providing for sworn statements rather than unsworn statements during informal discovery; providing for written questions; creating s. 766.1095, F.S.; providing for mandatory mediation; providing procedures; providing for an assessment of fees and costs following the judgment; excluding medical negligence or wrongful death cases from certain requirements for offers of settlement; amending s. 766.110, F.S.; providing that a hospital is exclusively liable for negligent acts or omissions regarding the provision of treatment in the hospital’s emergency room or trauma center; providing legislative intent with respect to such liability; amending s. 766.113, F.S.; providing that a settlement agreement may not prohibit a party from discussing the settlement amount; creating s. 766.115, F.S.; prohibiting certain entities from preventing or discouraging the providing of expert testimony; providing for a civil remedy; providing a standard of proof; providing for an award of attorney’s fees and costs; amending s. 766.202, F.S.; providing for certification of a medical expert; providing certain limitations on persons who may submit expert opinions; amending s. 766.205, F.S., relating to pre-suit discovery; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 766.206, F.S.; providing for dismissal of a claim under certain circumstances; requiring the court to make certain reports concerning a medical expert who fails to meet qualifications; requiring the court to apportion the total fault in a medical malpractice case among the claimant and joint tortfeasors who are parties to the action when the case is submitted to the jury; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Judiciary.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 2122—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the designation of university buildings and roads; designating the renovated transplant housing unit at the University of Florida’s Shands Hospital as the “Gerold L. Schiebler/Shands Transplant Housing Complex”; designating the new Structures and Materials Research Laboratory for the College of Engineering at the University of Florida as “The Powell Family Structures and Materials Lab”; designating the track/soccer stadium at the University of Florida as the “James G. Pressly Track/Soccer Stadium”; designating the Academic Advising Center at the University of Florida as “Farrior Hall”; designating the proposed band rehearsal facility at the University of Florida as “Steinbrenner Band Hall”; redesignating North-South Drive on the University of Florida campus as “Gale Lemerand Drive”; designating the Track and Field Center at Florida State University as the “Michael Allen McIntosh Track and Field Center”; designating the Student Life Building, 113 South Wildwood Drive, at Florida State University as the “Reubin O’D. Askew Student Life Center”; designating the proposed entrance pavilion at the John and Mabel Ringling Museum of Art at the Florida State University Ringling Center for Cultural Arts in Sarasota as the “John M. McKay Visitors’ Pavilion”; designating the Education and Administration Building at Florida State University as the “John E. Thrasher Building”; designating the new residence hall complex at Florida State University as “Sherrill Williams Ragans Hall”; designating the School of Business and Industry building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the “Sybil C. Mobley Business Building”; designating the new allied health building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the “Margaret W. Lewis/Jacqueline B. Beck Allied Health Building”; designating the architecture building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the “Walter L. Smith Architecture Building”; designating the Archives Building at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University as the “Meek/Eaton Southeastern Regional Black Archives Research Center and Museum”; designating the charter elementary school located on the Tampa campus of the University of South Florida as the “Dr. Kiran C. Patel Charter School”; designating the building that houses the University of Central Florida Downtown Center as the “James and Annie Ying Academic Center”; designating the student/community educational facility for health at Florida Gulf Coast University as the “Kleist Health Education Center”; designating the academic facility at Florida Gulf Coast University which will house the Resort and Hospitality Management Program as the “Herbert J. and Margaret S. Sugden Hall”; designating the new nursing building on the Boca Raton campus of Florida Atlantic University as the “Christine E. Lynn Nursing Building”; autho-

rizing the respective universities to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 2124—A bill to be entitled An act relating to legal representation for dependent children; amending s. 39.4086, F.S.; requiring each circuit court in the state to establish a system of representation for children in state custody; authorizing the judicial circuits to contract with a public or private entity to provide representation; requiring the Office of the State Courts Administrator in conjunction with the circuit courts to develop a training program for attorneys to be appointed to represent dependent children; providing requirements for such attorneys; providing circumstances under which the court shall appoint an attorney to represent a child in a dependency proceeding; requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to provide specified information to a court-appointed attorney; providing requirements with respect to the attorney's representation of the dependent child; requiring the Office of the State Courts Administrator to evaluate the system; eliminating the 3-year pilot Attorney Ad Litem Program in the Ninth Judicial Circuit; creating s. 39.8225, F.S.; requiring the circuit courts of the state to establish a system to provide representation to children in child abuse, abandonment, or neglect proceedings through the appointment of a guardian ad litem; authorizing the circuit courts to contract with public or private entities to provide guardian ad litem services; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Children and Families; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wise—

SB 2126—A bill to be entitled An act relating to blind services; providing a short title; transferring the powers, duties, records, personnel, property, and funds of the Division of Blind Services within the Department of Education to the Florida Commission for the Blind, which is created by this act; amending s. 20.15, F.S.; deleting the division from the Department of Education; amending s. 413.011, F.S.; providing legislative purpose and policy; creating the Florida Commission for the Blind; providing for commission membership, terms, and meetings and for the election of the commission chair; naming the commission as the designated state unit and the Department of Education as the designated state agency under the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973; providing for commission personnel, including an executive director; requiring background investigations of personnel; providing powers and duties of the commission, including the duty to license blind individuals under the federal Randolph-Sheppard Act; exempting certain property from record and inventory requirements and from bidding requirements; creating a children's program; providing purposes of the program; requiring an annual report; providing for the resolution of disputes; repealing the Advisory Council for the Blind; creating s. 413.093, F.S.; providing budgetary procedures for the commission; providing duties of the executive director of the Florida Commission for the Blind; creating s. 413.094, F.S.; providing for management flexibility in the commission's allocation of funds and the amendment of authorized positions; creating s. 413.095, F.S.; providing for the commission to retain title to certain real and personal property intended for use by people who have visual impairments and certain commission personnel; allowing the commission to repossess, transfer, and dispose of such property; providing for rulemaking; amending s. 110.131, F.S., relating to other-personal-services temporary employment, s. 121.051, F.S., relating to participation in the Florida Retirement System, s. 215.311, relating to exceptions from s. 215.31, F.S., which apply to funds collected by and under the direction of the division, s. 318.21, F.S., relating to the disposition of civil penalties by county courts, s. 413.0115, F.S., relating to the State Board of Administration's authorization to invest a portfolio, s. 413.012, F.S., relating to prohibiting the disclosure of confidential records and providing exemptions to the prohibition, s. 413.013, F.S., relating to the destruction of certain records, s. 413.014, F.S., relating to community-based rehabilitation programs, s. 413.041, F.S., relating to placing eligible blind persons in vending facilities in public places, s. 413.051, F.S., the Little

Randolph Sheppard Act, s. 413.091, F.S., relating to the issuance of identification cards to persons known to be blind or partially sighted, s. 413.092, F.S., relating to the Blind Babies Program; conforming provisions to the changes made by this act; repealing ss. 413.061, 413.062, 413.063, 413.064, 413.065, 413.066, 413.067, 413.068, 413.069, F.S., relating to the issuance of permits for soliciting funds on behalf of blind persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Crist and Bennett—

SB 2128—A bill to be entitled An act relating to wrecker services; amending s. 120.80, F.S.; exempting hearings of the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol concerning the wrecker allocation system from requirements of ch. 120, F.S.; creating s. 205.1975, F.S.; prohibiting a county or municipality from issuing or renewing a license for a wrecker company that is not in compliance with the requirements of the act; amending s. 316.530, F.S., relating to traffic control; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 316.550(4), F.S., relating to special wrecker permits, to incorporate the amendment to s. 320.01, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 316.605, F.S.; providing requirements for licensing wreckers and other vehicles; amending s. 320.01, F.S.; redefining the term "wrecker" for purposes of the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 320.03 and 320.0706, F.S., relating to motor vehicle registration and license plates; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; reenacting s. 320.08(5)(d) and (e), F.S., relating to license taxes, to incorporate the amendment to s. 320.01, F.S., in references thereto; amending s. 320.0821, F.S.; revising requirements for the issuance of wrecker license plates; amending s. 320.13, F.S., relating to dealer license plates; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 321.051, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring the Division of the Florida Highway Patrol within the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to establish a wrecker allocation system; providing requirements for the system; authorizing the division to set maximum rates for towing and storage of vehicles; prohibiting an unauthorized wrecker company from monitoring a police radio or engaging in other activities; providing penalties; providing requirements for dispatching wreckers; amending s. 323.001, F.S., relating to wrecker company storage facilities; providing definitions; providing procedures for a law enforcement agency to place a hold on a stored vehicle; providing for payment of towing and storage charges; amending s. 323.002, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for a county or municipality that operates a wrecker allocation system; providing requirements for the system; prohibiting an unauthorized wrecker company from monitoring a police radio or engaging in other activities; providing penalties; providing requirements for dispatching wreckers; creating chapter 508, F.S.; providing definitions; creating the Wrecker Operator Advisory Council within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for membership and terms; providing for reimbursement for travel and per diem expenses; requiring the council to advise the department on matters relating to standards and practices in the wrecker industry; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring wrecker companies to register with the department; providing requirements for registration renewal; providing requirements for advertisements; requiring insurance coverage; authorizing the department to deny registration under certain circumstances; establishing a certification program for wrecker operators; requiring the department to approve courses and organizations; providing requirements for examinations; providing for certification in specialized wrecker services; requiring the department to adopt rules; providing for certification cards to be issued to wrecker operators who complete the certification course and pass the examination; prohibiting the performance of wrecker services after a specified date unless the company is registered and obtains certification as required; authorizing the department to inspect employment records; providing requirements for continuing education; specifying prohibited acts; providing administrative, civil, and criminal penalties; providing for registration fees; providing for deposit of fees, penalties, and other funds; providing that the chapter does not apply to recovery agents; authorizing counties and municipalities to enact ordinances governing wrecker operators; amending s. 713.78, F.S., relating to liens for recovering, towing, or storing vehicles and vessels; providing definitions; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing for attorney's fees to be awarded to the prevailing party for a frivolous claim of wrongful taking

or claim of lien; providing immunity from liability for a wrecker company, its operators, and other employees or agents if services are performed with reasonable care or for complying with the directions of a law enforcement officer; providing for the owner of a vehicle, vessel, or mobile home to dispute a claim of lien by a wrecker company based on a record of sale; clarifying that the amendments made by the act do not affect the validity of prior liens; amending s. 715.07, F.S., relating to the towing of vehicles and vessels parked on real property without permission; providing definitions; providing for the towing and removal of vehicles and vessels under certain circumstances; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing requirements for towing and storage; prohibiting a property owner from soliciting a wrecker company for a rebate for the privilege of removing vehicles from the owner's property; providing immunity from liability for a wrecker company, its operators, and other employees or agents if services are performed with reasonable care; providing that failure to comply with notice requirements precludes a wrecker company from imposing certain towing or storage charges; providing penalties; repealing s. 1.01(15), F.S., relating to the definition of the term "wrecker operator"; providing an appropriation and authorizing additional positions; providing effective dates.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Comprehensive Planning; Judiciary; Criminal Justice; Agriculture; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2130—A bill to be entitled An act relating to political advertisements; amending s. 106.143; changing the requirements for sponsorship disclaimers on candidate advertisements; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 2132—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certificates of need; amending s. 408.032, F.S.; redefining the term "tertiary health service," as used in the Health Facility and Services Development Act, to include open-heart surgery; amending s. 408.036, F.S.; amending provisions specifying which health-care-related projects are subject to review and must file an application for a certificate of need; exempting certain projects from review, including the provision of percutaneous coronary intervention, in specified circumstances; providing for the expiration of such an exemption and for postponement of the renewal of the exemption, as specified; providing additional exemptions; amending s. 408.038, F.S.; providing increases in fees for certificate-of-need applications; providing for uses of the increased revenues; amending s. 408.039, F.S.; amending the review process for certificates of need; providing for automatic approval if the Agency for Health Care Administration does not issue a final order within a specified time; providing that a court must require the losing party to pay attorney's fees and costs of the prevailing party in certain circumstances; creating the Hospital Statutory and Regulatory Reform Council; providing legislative intent; providing for membership and duties of the council; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Pruitt—

SB 2134—A bill to be entitled An act relating to funding for school districts; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; deleting the restriction to fiscal year 2002-2003 on the transfer of categorical funds to school board specified academic classroom instruction; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2136—A bill to be entitled An act relating to postsecondary student fees; amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; providing that each university board of trustees is authorized to establish a nonrefundable admissions deposit for degree programs; deleting authorization to impose a charge for overdue accounts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; and Appropriations Subcommittee on Education.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2138—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the high-speed rail program; expressing the legislative intent to propose an amendment to the State Constitution relating to the high-speed rail program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 2140—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida High-Speed Rail Authority; amending s. 341.840, F.S.; providing that the tax exemption for the authority does not apply with respect to associated development; amending s. 288.281, F.S.; authorizing bonds to be issued for road and bridge construction necessary to implement the high-speed rail system; creating s. 341.843, F.S.; requiring performance and payment bonds of contractors contracting with the authority; providing requirements for such bonds; creating s. 341.844, F.S.; authorizing issuance of revenue bonds to finance the high-speed rail system; amending s. 341.830, F.S.; requiring procurement of professional services to comply with state procurement standards; providing appropriations for the high-speed rail system; creating s. 341.826, F.S.; requiring the Department of Transportation to include an amount for the high-speed rail system in its annual budget request; creating s. 341.827, F.S.; providing for pledge of funds for the system; providing that such pledge does not constitute an obligation of the state; providing a covenant with bondholders; authorizing positions for the authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Webster, Klein and Fasano—

SB 2142—A bill to be entitled An act relating to biomedical research; creating s. 215.5605, F.S.; creating the Center for Universal Research to Eradicate Disease; providing intent and duties; creating an advisory council; amending s. 215.5602, F.S.; expanding the long-term goals and funding of the Florida Biomedical Research Program to include the cure of specified diseases; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Education.

By Senator Clary—

SB 2144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to dentistry; creating s. 466.005, F.S.; requiring the Board of Dentistry to employ its executive director pursuant to state personnel rules; providing for employment of all board staff by the executive director; declaring employees of the board public employees; requiring the board to employ or retain a dental compliance officer to ensure proper and timely investigation of complaints; providing for assignment to the board of investigators employed or retained by the Department of Health; authorizing negotiation as a means

of obtaining examination and legal services, including private legal services; providing for separate budget authority for the board and the department and for separate budget submission requirements; requiring the department and the board to submit independent annual reports for a specified period to the Governor and Legislature on the effectiveness and efficiency of these provisions; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2146—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the right to a speedy trial; creating time limits within which a person charged with a crime by information or indictment must be brought to trial; permitting state attorneys to file a demand for a speedy trial; requiring that the trial judge schedule a calendar call upon the filing of a demand for a speedy trial in order to schedule a trial; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2148—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the indigent care and trauma center discretionary sales surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; reviving, reenacting, and amending the indigent care and trauma center discretionary sales surtax; deleting a future expiration provision; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Atwater, Lynn and Klein—

SB 2150—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nursing homes; amending s. 400.021, F.S.; amending the definition of the term “resident care plan” as used in part II of ch. 400, F.S.; amending s. 400.111, F.S.; requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration to give notice, as specified, of the necessity to renew a license; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; amending prerequisites to shared staffing; providing for rulemaking; amending provisions that specify deficiencies in staffing which trigger an admissions moratorium; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; amending provisions relating to minimum staffing requirements; providing exceptions for a state of emergency declared by the Governor or his designee; amending s. 400.235, F.S.; amending provisions describing the financial soundness and stability that constitutes a prerequisite to recognition as a Gold Seal Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senators Clary, Peaden and Fasano—

SB 2152—A bill to be entitled An act relating to military readiness; creating s. 163.3175, F.S.; providing legislative findings relating to the compatibility of development with military installations; providing for an exchange of information between certain local governments and military bases or installations; requiring the local government to consider the comments of the commanding officer of a military base or installation relating to potential adverse effects on the base or installation which may result from rezonings or changes in land use; amending s. 163.3177, F.S.; providing that an element relating to military readiness is a mandatory element of the comprehensive plans for certain local governments; requiring the local governments to seek advice from individuals who may be affected by this element; providing factors that must be considered in connection with this element; amending s. 163.3187,

F.S.; exempting from certain restrictions on the adoption of amendments to comprehensive plans an amendment relating to military readiness; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs, Base Protection, and Spaceports; and Comprehensive Planning.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 2154—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; creating the Care to Learn Program; providing purpose; requiring public schools to provide to parents, within a specified time after the parent's child enrolls in the school, certain information about the child's educational program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2156—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida High School Activities Association; repealing s. 1006.20, F.S., relating to the Florida High School Activities Association; amending ss. 1002.20 and 1002.42, F.S.; correcting cross-references to conform; amending s. 1006.18, F.S.; deleting a specified duty of the association, to conform; requiring the Department of Education to adopt safety standards for cheerleaders; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2158—A bill to be entitled An act relating to orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics; amending s. 468.805, F.S.; postponing expiration of grandfathering provisions that allow for licensure of certain practitioners of orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics until July 1, 2005; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

SB 2160—A bill to be entitled An act relating to claims bill reform; expressing the legislative intent to enact legislation relating to claims bill reform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2162—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a road designation; designating a portion of I-275 in Pinellas County as the “St. Petersburg Parkway”; dedicating the new Rose Bay bridges between the Cities of New Smyrna Beach and Port Orange to honor U.S. military POW's and MIA's; renaming a portion of State Road 580 within the city limits of Temple Terrace as the “Temple Terrace Parkway”; designating bridge number 550122 in Tallahassee as the “Veterans Memorial Bridge”; designating a portion of State Road 77 as the “Lynn Haven Parkway”; designating a portion of State Road 16 as the “Correctional Officers Memorial Highway”; designating a portion of Interstate 75 as the “Purple Heart Memorial Highway”; designating the “Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway” in Seminole County; designating a portion of State Road 100 in Flagler County as “Veterans Memorial Highway”; designating the “All-American Parkway” in Miami-Dade County; designating “Borinquen Boulevard” in Miami-Dade County; directing the Depart-

ment of Transportation to erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By Senator Sebesta—

SB 2164—A bill to be entitled An act relating to enterprise zones; amending s. 290.00675, F.S.; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of specified communities and increasing the population limit thereof; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senators Wilson, Hill, Lawson, Bullard, Siplin, Miller and Dawson—

SB 2166—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1002.38, F.S.; requiring school districts to ensure that students in certain grades who receive an Opportunity Scholarship take the statewide assessment; establishing requirements for 10th grade students to take the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test; requiring limited reexaminations for certain students; specifying when the reexaminations must be given; providing for the student's retention of credit; providing for the forfeiture of the scholarship under certain conditions; providing additional eligibility criteria for private schools to participate in the Opportunity Scholarship Program; requiring students who participate in the Opportunity Scholarship Program to earn passing scores on certain statewide assessment tests in order to qualify for a regular high school diploma; requiring participating private schools to establish student progression programs; specifying the contents of the program; requiring an allocation of school remedial and supplemental instruction resources; prescribing content of academic improvement plans; requiring private school students who receive Opportunity Scholarships to participate in statewide assessment tests; requiring additional diagnostic tests; prescribing guidelines for remedial reading instruction; requiring parental notification of reading deficiency; prohibiting social promotion and providing standards for exemptions from mandatory-retention requirements; requiring reports by private schools to parents; amending s. 1008.22, F.S., relating to the student assessment program for public schools; establishing requirements for 10th grade students to take the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test; requiring limited reexaminations for certain students; specifying when the reexaminations must be given; providing for the student's retention of credit; requiring the Commissioner of Education to develop alternative measures to be used by school districts in awarding high school diplomas to students in public schools and to be used by private schools for students in private schools who receive an Opportunity Scholarship; prohibiting the use of the alternative measures after a specified date; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2168—A bill to be entitled An act relating to social security numbers; prohibiting private businesses from requiring the disclosure of all or part of such a number except as required by federal law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Judiciary.

By Senator Posey—

SB 2170—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter school districts; amending s. 1003.62, F.S.; providing additional criteria for the

establishment of a charter school district; providing for renewal of the charter; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Education.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2172—A bill to be entitled An act relating to repeat sexual offenders; amending s. 794.0115, F.S.; providing for additional offenses to be included as permissible criteria for qualification for enhanced penalties; increasing the penalties for repeated sexual offenses; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Villalobos—

SB 2174—A bill to be entitled An act relating to infant eye care; amending s. 383.04, F.S.; requiring certain eye examinations for all infants born in hospitals in the state; reenacting s. 383.07, F.S., relating to a penalty; amending ss. 627.6416 and 641.31, F.S.; providing that coverage for children under health insurance policies and health maintenance organization contracts include certain eye examinations for infants and children; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SJR 2176—A joint resolution proposing amendments to Sections 3, 10, and 11 of Article V of the State Constitution, relating to the judiciary, to provide a method for selection of Supreme Court justices and district court of appeal judges.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Crist and Klein—

SB 2178—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Digital Divide Trust Fund in the State Technology Office; providing for sources of moneys and purposes; providing for administration of the fund; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Communication and Public Utilities; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2180—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the fitting and dispensing of hearing aids; amending s. 484.0512, F.S.; providing a criminal penalty for failure of a seller to refund within a specified time moneys required to be refunded to a purchaser for the return or attempted return of a hearing aid; providing a definition; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Criminal Justice; and Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2182—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sentencing; imposing a sentencing fee and providing for its use; renaming the Capital Collateral Trust Fund as the Capital Collateral Litigation Trust Fund; amending s. 27.702, F.S., to conform; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wilson—

SB 2184—A bill to be entitled An act relating to consensus estimating conferences; amending s. 216.137, F.S.; requiring each consensus estimating conference to meet at least once a year before formation of the Governor's recommended budget; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senators Argenziano and Lawson—

SB 2186—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the indigent care surtax; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; allowing small counties having a specified population to levy an indigent care surtax; providing procedures; providing uses of the surtax; providing a maximum tax rate; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senators Wilson and Siplin—

SB 2188—A bill to be entitled An act relating to prescription drugs; providing a program for fair market drug pricing in Florida, to be administered by the Agency for Health Care Administration; providing a popular name; providing findings and purpose; providing definitions; providing for negotiated drug discounts and rebates; requiring establishment of an Rx Card program as a state pharmaceutical assistance program for drugs covered by a rebate agreement; providing a beginning date for Rx Card program discounts; providing for resolution of discrepancies in rebate amounts; requiring an annual report to the Legislature; providing for coordination with other programs; requiring the agency to adopt rules to implement the program; authorizing the agency to seek waivers of federal laws, rules, or regulations; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 2190—A bill to be entitled An act relating to continuing education for public adjusters; amending s. 626.869, F.S.; requiring continuing education for public adjusters; providing requirements; requiring the Office of Insurance Regulation to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance.

By Senators Dockery, Lynn and Jones—

SB 2192—A bill to be entitled An act relating to stamping of cigarettes in interstate commerce; amending s. 210.06, F.S.; requiring a person who transports or causes to be transported from this state cigarettes for sale in another state to affix to the cigarettes stamps required by the

other state or to pay certain excise taxes; providing exceptions; requiring a report to the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing for rule-making; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

SR 2194—Not referenced.

By Senator Campbell—

SB 2196—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Law Enforcement; requiring the department to conduct a study regarding the establishment of minimum standards for latent fingerprint examiners; providing purposes of the study; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

By Senator Klein—

SJR 2198—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 19 of Article III and the creation of Section 19 of Article VII of the State Constitution to require that a portion of the increase in net general revenue funds collected each year be deposited into the Budget Stabilization Fund until the Budget Stabilization Fund is at its maximum level, to require that an annual 5-year forecast be prepared by the Legislature, and to place conditions on the approval by the Legislature of the issuance of state tax-supported debt.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2200—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water resources; amending s. 373.036, F.S.; providing that amendments to the water resource implementation rule take effect only upon approval by the Legislature; amending s. 373.1502, F.S.; providing for water reservations to be adopted by rule under the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan Regulation Act; amending s. 373.219, F.S.; exempting the consumption or use of domestic wastewater effluent from certain permit requirements; repealing s. 373.223(4), F.S., relating to water reservations for the purposes of protecting fish and wildlife or the public health and safety; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2202—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development for rural counties; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to economic development for rural counties; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to trust funds; creating the Florida Dealership Fraud Trust Fund within the Department of

Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; providing for sources of funds and a purpose; providing for future review and termination or re-creation of the trust fund; providing a contingent effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Transportation; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Peadar—

SB 2206—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending ss. 121.021, 121.0515, F.S.; including mosquito control officers of counties and mosquito control districts in the special risk class; restoring special risk classification to certain law enforcement officer employees of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Insurance or their predecessor agencies; providing for payment of increased benefits to such officers who have retired or entered the Deferred Retirement Option Program or to the beneficiaries of deceased employees; providing for funding such increased benefits; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Miller—

SM 2208—A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to enact legislation to revise the Social Security Act to provide for the collection of retroactive child support payments and reimbursement for attorney's fees for parents or government agencies attempting to collect such child support payments.

—was referred to the Committee on Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Lynn—

SB 2210—A bill to be entitled An act relating to substance abuse treatment and intervention; amending s. 39.001, F.S.; providing additional legislative findings and purposes with respect to the treatment of substance abuse; amending ss. 39.402 and 39.407, F.S.; authorizing the court to order specified persons to submit to a substance abuse assessment upon a showing of good cause in connection with a shelter hearing or petition for dependency; authorizing sanctions for noncompliance; amending ss. 39.507 and 39.521, F.S.; authorizing the court to order specified persons to submit to a substance abuse assessment as part of an adjudicatory order or pursuant to a disposition hearing; requiring a showing of good cause; authorizing the court to require participation in a treatment-based drug court program; authorizing the court to impose sanctions for noncompliance; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; authorizing the court to extend the time for completing a case plan during judicial review, based upon participation in a treatment-based drug court program; amending s. 397.334, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to treatment-based drug court programs to reflect participation by community support agencies, the Department of Education, and other individuals; including post adjudicatory programs as part of treatment-based drug court programs; requiring each judicial circuit to establish a position for a coordinator of the treatment-based drug court program; requiring the chief judge of each judicial circuit to appoint an advisory committee for the treatment-based drug court program; providing for membership of the committee; revising language with respect to an annual report; amending s. 910.035, F.S.; revising language with respect to conditions for the transfer of a case in the drug court treatment program to a county other than that in which the charge arose; amending s. 948.08, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in pretrial intervention programs; authorizing the court to refer certain defendants who are assessed with a substance abuse problem to a pretrial intervention program with the approval of the state attorney; deleting provisions authorizing advisory committees for the district pretrial intervention programs; amending s. 985.306, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for participation in delinquency pretrial intervention programs; authorizing the court to refer certain juveniles who are assessed

as having a substance abuse problem to a substance abuse education and treatment intervention program; deleting provisions authorizing advisory committees for the district delinquency pretrial intervention program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Appropriations Subcommittee on Article V Implementation and Judiciary; and Appropriations.

By Senator Miller—

SB 2212—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; authorizing the establishment of for-profit subsidiaries of the governing corporation; providing that the contract with the State Board of Education shall permit the use of lands and facilities for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of cancer; authorizing the governing corporation and its subsidiaries to obtain their own property insurance coverage; providing that certain appropriations shall be paid directly to the board of directors of the governing corporation; changing the appointing authority for certain members of the council of scientific advisors; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Jones—

SB 2214—A bill to be entitled An act relating to intestate succession; amending s. 732.103, F.S.; extending intestate succession to the paternal and maternal great-grandparents, the great-great-grandparents and other descendants; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Senator Miller—

SB 2216—A bill to be entitled An act relating to a public records exemption for proprietary confidential business information owned or controlled by the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; revising the exemption for proprietary confidential business information owned or controlled by the not-for-profit corporation which governs and operates the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute or subsidiaries of the corporation to include specified materials, potential trade secrets, potentially patentable material, actual trade secrets, business transactions, or proprietary information received, generated, ascertained, or discovered during the course of research conducted within state universities that are exempt from public records requirements under s. 1004.22(2), F.S.; providing for future review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 2218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to home mortgage lending; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to home mortgage lending; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Fasano—

SB 2220—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program; amending s. 1002.39, F.S.; amending eligibility standards; amending provisions relating to the level of funding for a scholarship recipient; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2222—A bill to be entitled An act relating to genetic counselors; creating part XV of ch. 468, F.S., the “Genetic Counseling Practice Act”; providing a popular name; providing legislative purpose and intent; providing definitions; requiring licensure to practice genetic counseling; providing exemptions; creating the Board of Genetic Counselors and providing for appointment and staggering of terms of its members; providing rulemaking authority; providing licensure requirements; providing for biennial renewal of licensure; providing for continuing education; providing fees; prohibiting certain acts; providing penalties; providing grounds for disciplinary action; providing for denial of licensure or imposition of other disciplinary actions authorized by law; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2224—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; declaring the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to the Bright Futures Scholarship Program; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Wise—

SB 2226—A bill to be entitled An act relating to blind services; providing a short title; transferring the powers, duties, records, personnel, property, and funds of the Division of Blind Services within the Department of Education to the Florida Corporation for the Blind, which is created by this act; amending s. 20.15, F.S.; deleting the division from the Department of Education; amending s. 413.011, F.S.; providing legislative purpose and policy; creating the Florida Corporation for the Blind; providing for membership, terms, and meetings of the board of directors and for the election of the corporation chair; naming the corporation as the designated state unit and the Department of Management Services as the designated state agency under the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973; providing for corporate personnel, including an executive director; requiring background investigations of personnel; providing powers and duties of the corporation, including the duty to license blind individuals under the federal Randolph-Sheppard Act; exempting certain property from record and inventory requirements and from bidding requirements; creating a children’s program; providing purposes of the program; requiring an annual report; providing for the resolution of disputes; repealing the Advisory Council for the Blind; creating s. 413.093, F.S.; providing budgetary procedures for the corporation; providing duties of the executive director of the Florida Corporation for the Blind; creating s. 413.094, F.S.; providing for management flexibility in the corporation’s allocation of funds and the amendment of authorized positions; creating s. 413.095, F.S.; providing for the corporation to retain title to certain real and personal property intended for use by people who have visual impairments and certain corporate personnel; allowing the corporation to repossess, transfer, and dispose of such property; amending s. 110.131, F.S., relating to other-personal-services temporary employment, s. 121.051, F.S., relating to participation in the Florida Retirement System, s. 215.311, relating to exceptions from s. 215.31,

F.S., which apply to funds collected by and under the direction of the division, s. 318.21, F.S., relating to the disposition of civil penalties by county courts, s. 413.0115, F.S., relating to the State Board of Administration’s authorization to invest a portfolio, s. 413.012, F.S., relating to prohibiting the disclosure of confidential records and providing exemptions to the prohibition, s. 413.013, F.S., relating to the destruction of certain records, s. 413.014, F.S., relating to community-based rehabilitation programs, s. 413.041, F.S., relating to placing eligible blind persons in vending facilities in public places, s. 413.051, F.S., the Little Randolph Sheppard Act, s. 413.091, F.S., relating to the issuance of identification cards to persons known to be blind or partially sighted, s. 413.092, F.S., relating to the Blind Babies Program; conforming provisions to the changes made by this act; repealing ss. 413.061, 413.062, 413.063, 413.064, 413.065, 413.066, 413.067, 413.068, 413.069, F.S., relating to the issuance of permits for soliciting funds on behalf of blind persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Cowin—

SB 2228—A bill to be entitled An act relating to career service exemptions; amending s. 110.205, F.S.; deleting positions related to the Correctional Educational Program within the Department of Corrections; deleting superintendent and assistant superintendent positions and adding the positions of colonel and major within the Department of Corrections; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 2230—A bill to be entitled An act relating to developmental disabilities; expressing the legislative intent to revise laws relating to developmental disabilities; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Children and Families; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senators Miller and Fasano—

SB 2232—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real estate taxation; amending s. 196.101, F.S.; revising provisions for exemption for totally and permanently disabled persons; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 2234—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Uninsured Task Force; providing a legislative finding; creating the Uninsured Task Force; providing for membership; providing purposes and duties; requiring a report; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dawson—

SB 2236—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school performance; amending s. 1008.34, F.S.; providing funding to a school design-

nated as performance grade category “F”; providing for use of such funds; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Constantine—

SB 2238—A bill to be entitled An act relating to real estate appraisers; amending ss. 475.611 and 475.612, F.S.; substituting the term “assistant” for “trainee”; defining new terms; expanding the definition of the term “appraisal report”; deleting the definition of “licensed appraiser”; substituting the term “valuation services” for “appraisals”; amending s. 475.613, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions concerning terms of appointment for members of the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board; authorizing the board to establish standards for and regulate supervisory appraisers; amending s. 475.615, F.S., relating to qualifications for registration or certification; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 475.617, F.S.; deleting the licensing qualifications for an appraiser; amending s. 475.618, F.S.; permitting the board to authorize independent certification organizations to approve the delivery method of distance learning courses; providing for the renewal of registered trainee licenses; amending ss. 475.619, 475.620, and 475.621, F.S.; deleting the terms “license” and “licensed”; substituting the term “assistant” for “trainee”; amending s. 475.622, F.S.; deleting the term “state-licensed real estate appraiser”; providing that a registered trainee appraiser or certified appraiser may not sign any appraisal report or certification or communicate such appraisal report or certification without making certain disclosures; amending s. 475.6221, F.S.; providing that the primary supervisor must notify the Division of Real Estate of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation of the name and address of any primary and secondary supervisor for whom the registered trainee will perform appraisal services; providing that the registered trainee real estate appraiser may only receive compensation from the primary supervising certified appraiser; creating s. 475.6222, F.S.; providing that the primary or secondary supervisor must directly supervise the registered trainee appraiser; amending ss. 475.623, 475.624, 475.626, and 475.627, F.S.; deleting the term “license”; substituting the term “assistant” for “trainee”; creating s. 475.631, F.S.; providing for nonresident licensure or certification opportunities for state-certified appraisers; providing that nonresident applicants must file an irrevocable consent to be sued; providing for service of process in lawsuits; providing that resident state-certified appraisers who become nonresidents must notify the board of a change in residency and comply with nonresident requirements within 60 days; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Regulated Industries; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Aronberg—

SB 2240—A bill to be entitled An act relating to homestead exemption; amending s. 196.131, F.S.; providing a penalty for claiming homestead exemption if the funds for the home came from fraudulent sources; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Comprehensive Planning; and Finance and Taxation.

By Senator Webster—

SB 2242—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charter schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; providing guiding principles; requiring an emphasis on reading; authorizing a state university or community college to sponsor a charter school; requiring certain accountability measures; revising application requirements; requiring fiscal projections in a charter application; extending the time allowed for the State Board of Education to act on an appeal; requiring auditors to provide notification of certain financial conditions; providing additional requirements for a charter school’s annual report; eliminating limitations on the number of charter schools per school district; creating the Charter School Accountability and Funding Authority and providing purpose, composition, and duties; eliminating a review panel; revising provisions relating to the

analysis of charter school performance; amending s. 1002.32, F.S.; correcting cross-references; amending s. 1013.62, F.S.; requiring the Charter School Accountability and Funding Authority to recommend allocations of capital outlay funds to charter schools; providing priorities; eliminating a formula for providing allocations; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senators Fasano and Sebesta—

SB 2244—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Commission on Deafness; creating the Florida Commission on Deafness; providing membership and organization of the commission; providing role, purpose, powers, duties, and responsibilities of the commission; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Crist—

SB 2246—A bill to be entitled An act relating to public school personnel; amending s. 1012.61, F.S.; deleting a restriction that permits annual payment for accumulated sick leave only to instructional staff and educational support employees; deleting restrictions regarding terminal pay for accumulated sick leave to employees other than instructional staff or educational support employees; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Education; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; and Appropriations.

By Senator Wasserman Schultz—

SB 2248—A bill to be entitled An act relating to charitable youth organizations; authorizing municipalities, political subdivisions, and agencies to contract with charitable youth organizations for certain public service work; providing for contracts and award limit; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Comprehensive Planning; and Governmental Oversight and Productivity.

By Senator Wise—

SJR 2250—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 11 of Article V of the State Constitution to require that the deliberations and records related thereto of judicial nominating commissions be open to the public.

—was referred to the Committees on Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Rules and Calendar.

By Senator Miller—

SB 2252—A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic stimulus; amending s. 212.052, F.S.; exempting machinery and equipment used predominantly for research and development; amending s. 212.08, F.S.; revising sales price criteria for characterizing business property; amending s. 212.097, F.S.; revising provisions providing for an urban job tax credit program to apply to designated urban job tax credit areas rather than high crime areas; revising definitions, eligibility criteria, application procedures and requirements, and area characteristics and criteria; authorizing transfer of unused credits; specifying use of transferred credits; amending s. 220.191, F.S.; revising definitions; amending s. 288.9515, F.S.; revising and clarifying powers of Enterprise Florida, Inc.,

to develop authorized technology development programs; deleting a preference requirement for contractor selections; clarifying a requirement for capitalization of a technology development financing fund; revising criteria and requirements for investment of moneys in the Florida Technology Research Investment Fund; providing for payment of claims against the program from the fund; specifying nonapplication of state credit or taxing power; specifying absence of state liability for certain claims; repealing s. 288.9517, F.S., relating to audits of the technology development board and confidentiality of the identity of certain contributors to the board; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Commerce, Economic Opportunities, and Consumer Services; Comprehensive Planning; Finance and Taxation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development; and Appropriations.

By Senator Argenziano—

SB 2254—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Department of Corrections; amending s. 944.091, F.S.; authorizing the department to contract with the Federal Government to house prisoners convicted in federal courts in this state; specifying conditions to be included in, and to be excluded from, such contracts; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; and Appropriations.

By Senator Bennett—

SB 2256—A bill to be entitled An act relating to self-propelled knives; amending s. 790.225, F.S.; clarifying the definition of self-propelled knife, the unlawful manufacture, display, sale, ownership, possession, or use of which is prohibited; providing nonapplicability; providing a penalty; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary.

By Senator Saunders—

SB 2258—A bill to be entitled An act relating to nurses; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; increasing the period of time during which members of the Florida Retirement System who are employed as registered nurses may participate in the DROP; providing a statement of proper and legitimate state purpose; providing an appropriation to the Department of Health; requiring private match of appropriated funds; providing for grants to hospitals for nurse recruitment and retention; providing for rules; providing eligibility criteria; amending s. 464.009, F.S.; requiring applicants for nursing licensure by endorsement to demonstrate the ability to communicate in the English language; amending s. 1009.66, F.S.; providing that applicant awards under the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program shall be on a first-come, first-served basis; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; and Appropriations.

By Senator Dockery—

SB 2260—A bill to be entitled An act relating to water policy; amending s. 373.0693, F.S.; redrawing the boundaries of certain water basins; providing for the transfer of assets between such water basins; amending s. 373.451, F.S.; revising legislative intent with respect to the Surface Water Improvement and Management Act; deleting requirement that state and local funds be provided for certain purposes; amending s. 373.453, F.S.; revising criteria to be applied in determining the priority of water bodies under surface water improvement and management plans and programs; providing for periodic lists of water bodies of regional or statewide significance; authorizing participation by additional persons in the development of plans and programs; deleting certain

reporting requirements; requiring identification of potential funding sources for the plans and programs; requiring review of plans developed by water management districts by various state agencies within a specified time; exempting the approval process for such plans from the rule adoption requirements of chapter 120, F.S.; deleting the requirement that state agencies be on certain advisory committees; authorizing water management districts to enter into contracts with governmental agencies regarding the development and implementation of water improvement and management programs; amending s. 373.459, F.S.; providing for appropriation of funds for surface water improvement and management activities by water management districts; providing for release of funds by the Department of Environmental Protection; repealing s. 373.455, F.S., relating to review of surface water improvement and management plans; repealing s. 373.456, F.S., relating to approval of surface water improvement and management plans; repealing s. 373.457, F.S., relating to implementation of surface water improvement and management plans and programs; amending ss. 259.101, 373.4136, 403.067, and 403.1835, F.S.; deleting cross-references; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; and Appropriations.

By Senator Margolis—

SB 2262—A bill to be entitled An act relating to elections; requiring a certain number of polling places to open at least 1 week before each election for early absentee voting; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

By Senator Atwater—

SB 2264—A bill to be entitled An act relating to health insurance; amending s. 627.6515, F.S.; amending conditions that must be met to exempt from part VII of ch. 627, F.S., a group health insurance policy issued or delivered outside this state under which a resident of this state is provided coverage; providing rulemaking authority; providing an effective date.

—was referred to the Committees on Banking and Insurance; and Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

FIRST READING

By the Committee on Criminal Justice; and Senators Cowin, Fasano, Sebesta and Argenziano—

CS for SB 144—A bill to be entitled An act relating to sexual assault victims; providing legislative intent; providing a short title; providing definitions; requiring the Department of Health by contract to represent and provide technical assistance to rape crisis centers; providing procedures for the distribution of certain funds; creating s. 938.085, F.S.; imposing a surcharge on certain violations to fund rape crisis centers; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Miller—

CS for SB 204—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the use of credit reports and credit scores by insurers; creating s. 626.9741, F.S.; specifying that the act's purpose is to regulate and limit the use of credit reports and credit scores by insurers for underwriting and rating purposes; specifying the types of insurance to which the act applies; defining terms; requiring that an insurer identify the items in a credit report which resulted in an adverse decision; prohibiting an insurer from making an adverse decision based solely on a credit report or score or certain other factors; requiring an insurer to provide a means for appeal to an applicant or insured under certain circumstances; prohibiting the use of a credit report or score unless the Office of Insurance Regulation determines, based on a filing by the insurer, that such use is valid and

reasonable; authorizing the Office of Insurance Regulation to disapprove such filings; requiring an insurer to adhere to certain laws and rules; providing a public-records exemption for credit report methods that are trade secrets; requiring an insurer to provide for an adjustment in the premium of an insured to reflect an improvement in credit history; authorizing the Financial Services Commission to adopt rules; providing for application; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senator Campbell—

CS for SB 218—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Uniform Commercial Code; amending s. 679.509, F.S.; providing additional requirements for filing certain amendments to financing statements; amending s. 679.513, F.S.; clarifying the requirements for filing termination of financing statements; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Banking and Insurance; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Saunders and Lynn—

CS for CS for SB 296—A bill to be entitled An act relating to retirement communities; amending s. 400.235, F.S., relating to the Gold Seal Program; amending standards for evidence of financial soundness and stability of certain nursing home facilities; amending s. 400.141, F.S.; amending prerequisites that certain nursing homes must fulfill to qualify for sharing programming and staff with other entities that are part of a retirement community; authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to adopt rules; amending ss. 651.081, 651.085, F.S.; providing for the establishment of a residents' organization; providing for the purposes of such an organization; requiring notice of a meeting or ballot election to select a designated representative to represent a residents' organization before the governing body of a continuing care provider; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Wise and Fasano—

CS for SB 336—A bill to be entitled An act relating to motor vehicle liability insurance; amending s. 320.055, F.S.; providing for a 6-month vehicle registration for persons reinstating their driver's license that has been suspended for driving under the influence; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to issue 6-month vehicle registration certificates and validation stickers; specifying the amount of taxes and fees which must be paid; amending s. 324.131, F.S.; requiring persons whose license or registration has been suspended or revoked due to a violation of driving under the influence to maintain, for 3 years, noncancelable liability coverage as described in s. 627.7275(2), F.S.; authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to adopt a form for proof of such coverage; amending s. 627.7275, F.S., requiring insurers to make available bodily injury and property damage liability coverage that is noncancelable for a certain period; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Education; Health, Aging, and Long-Term Care; and Senators Saunders and Bullard—

CS for CS for SB 698—A bill to be entitled An act relating to certified geriatric specialty nursing; providing a short title; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to establish a pilot program for delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education; specifying eligibility requirements for certified nursing assistants to obtain certified geriatric specialty nursing education; specifying requirements for the education of certified nursing assistants to prepare for certification as a certified geriatric specialist; creating a Certified Geriatric Specialty Nursing Initiative Steering Committee; providing for the composition of and manner of appointment to the Certified Geriatric Specialty Nursing Initiative Steering Committee; providing responsibilities of the steering committee; providing for reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to conduct or contract for an evaluation of the pilot program for delivery of certified geriatric

specialty nursing education; requiring the evaluation to include recommendations regarding the expansion of the delivery of certified geriatric specialty nursing education in nursing homes; requiring the Agency for Workforce Innovation to report to the Governor and Legislature regarding the status and evaluation of the pilot program; creating s. 464.0125, F.S.; providing definitions; providing requirements for persons to become certified geriatric specialists; specifying fees; providing for articulation of geriatric specialty nursing coursework and practical nursing coursework; providing practice standards and grounds for which certified geriatric specialists may be subject to discipline by the Board of Nursing; creating restrictions on the use of professional nursing titles; prohibiting the use of certain professional titles; providing penalties; authorizing approved nursing programs to provide education for the preparation of certified geriatric specialists without further board approval; authorizing certified geriatric specialists to supervise the activities of others in nursing home facilities according to rules by the Board of Nursing; revising terminology relating to nursing to conform to the certification of geriatric specialists; amending s. 381.00315, F.S.; revising requirements for the reactivation of the licenses of specified health care practitioners in the event of public health emergency to include certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 400.021, F.S.; including services provided by a certified geriatric specialist within the definition of nursing service; amending s. 400.211, F.S.; revising requirements for persons employed as nursing assistants to conform to the certification of certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 400.23, F.S.; specifying that certified geriatric specialists shall be considered licensed nursing staff; authorizing licensed practical nurses to supervise the activities of certified geriatric specialists in nursing home facilities according to rules adopted by the Board of Nursing; amending s. 409.908, F.S.; revising the methodology for reimbursement of Medicaid program providers to include services of certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 458.303, F.S.; revising exceptions to the practice of medicine to include services delegated to a certified geriatric specialist under specified circumstances; amending s. 1009.65, F.S.; revising eligibility for the Medical Education Reimbursement and Loan Repayment Program to include certified geriatric specialists; amending s. 1009.66, F.S.; revising eligibility requirements for the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program to include certified geriatric specialists; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Fasano and Dockery—

CS for SB 716—A bill to be entitled An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 public education; authorizing a pilot program within specified counties to enable selected school districts to realize cost savings in the purchase of used instructional materials; imposing requirements on the vendors of such materials; absolving the state from responsibility for certain financial losses; requiring the Department of Education to report to the Legislature; providing for future repeal; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Regulated Industries; and Senator Diaz de la Portilla—

CS for SB 742—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act; implementing s. 20, Art. X of the State Constitution; reenacting s. 386.201, F.S., relating to a short title; amending s. 386.202, F.S.; providing legislative intent; amending s. 386.203, F.S.; providing definitions; amending s. 386.204, F.S.; prohibiting smoking in certain places; requiring the posting of signs; creating s. 386.2045, F.S.; establishing specific exceptions where smoking is permitted; amending s. 386.205, F.S.; providing for designated smoking rooms; providing certain exceptions; requiring state agencies to adopt rules; amending s. 386.206, F.S.; providing requirements for the posting of signs in rooms designated as smoking rooms; amending s. 386.207, F.S.; providing for enforcement of the act by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, the Department of Health, and the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation; providing penalties; providing for the use of moneys collected as fines under the act; amending s. 386.208, F.S.; providing additional penalties; reenacting s. 386.209, F.S., relating to preemption by the state of the regulation of smoking; amending s. 386.211, F.S.; providing for announcements at certain facilities; amending s. 386.212, F.S.; prohibiting smoking near school property; creating s. 386.2125, F.S.; requiring

the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to adopt rules; creating s. 386.213, F.S.; providing for effect of any invalidity of the act; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Webster and Bullard—

CS for SB 1368—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 1009.22, F.S., relating to workforce development student fees; revising guidelines applicable to fees for vocational-preparatory instruction; providing restrictions on tuition and out-of-state fees that district school boards and community college boards of trustees may establish; allowing school boards and community college boards to establish a discretionary, separate student activity and service fee; establishing a maximum amount for discretionary fees; providing for uses of revenues from discretionary fees; amending the maximum allowable amount of the fee for capital improvements, technology enhancements, or equipping buildings; amending the maximum amount that may be allocated from the capital improvement fee revenues for child care centers; deleting a restriction on the applicability of the technology fee; redesignating certain charges as user fees, rather than fines; amending s. 1009.23, F.S.; amending the maximum allowable amount of the community college fee for capital improvements, technology enhancements, or equipping student buildings; amending the maximum amount that may be allocated from the capital improvement fee for child care centers conducted by the community college; redesignating certain charges as user fees, rather than fines; providing an effective date.

By the Committees on Appropriations; Finance and Taxation; Education; and Senators Carlton and Constantine—

CS for CS for SB 1436 and CS for SB 1646—A bill to be entitled An act relating to implementation of Amendment 9 to the State Constitution (November 2002 election); providing a short title; amending s. 1003.01, F.S.; defining the terms “core-curricula courses” and “extracurricular courses”; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; establishing the constitutional class size maximum; providing for the determination of averages; providing for the department to calculate averages based upon student membership surveys; providing implementation options for school districts; providing accountability for the class size reduction measures; providing that a district school board that fails to comply with maximum class size requirements is subject to suspension by the Governor; creating s. 1011.685, F.S.; establishing an operating categorical fund for implementing class size reduction; providing for the use of the funds by school districts; creating s. 1013.735, F.S.; establishing the Classrooms for Kids Program; providing for the allocation of funds; providing requirements for district participation in the program; providing for the use of the funds; creating s. 1013.736, F.S.; establishing the District Equity Recognition Program; providing for eligibility for school district participation; establishing a district equity ratio for purposes of calculating the allocation for the program; providing for the use of the funds; creating s. 1013.737, F.S.; establishing the Class Size Reduction Lottery Revenue Bond Program; authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to finance or refinance the construction, acquisition, reconstruction, or renovation of educational facilities; specifying that the bonds are payable from first proceeds of lottery revenues transferred to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund; establishing a covenant with bondholders to not materially and adversely affect their rights; providing for issuance of the bonds by the Division of Bond Finance on behalf of the Department of Education; limiting the total amount of such bonds issued; providing for deposit of bond proceeds in the Lottery Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; providing for the filing of complaints for validation; providing for timely encumbrances of funds for authorized projects; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; removing limitations on lottery revenues that may be pledged to the payment of debt service; amending s. 121.091, F.S.; authorizing instructional personnel who receive authorization to extend participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program; requiring the Department of Management Services to request a determination from the United States Internal Revenue Service; providing that the changes effected by this act to the Deferred Retirement Option Program are contingent upon such determination or other favorable opinion; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; clarifying provisions concerning a school-within-a-school; amending s. 1003.02, F.S.; requiring school districts to notify parents of acceleration mechanisms; eliminating a cross-reference to conform to changes made by the act; amending s. 1003.43, F.S.; removing the requirement that a life management course be offered during the

9th and 10th grade years; amending s. 1003.436, F.S.; reducing the number of hours required for one full credit; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; removing a date limitation to provide for categorical flexibility; amending s. 1011.69, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; providing that Classrooms for Kids operating categorical funds are not subject to provisions requiring equity in school funding; amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; revising the time period for an authorized statement of status of eligibility for educator certification requirements; amending requirements for mastery of general knowledge for a teaching certificate; revising requirements for mastery of subject area knowledge; revising requirements for mastery of professional competence; amending s. 1012.57, F.S.; requiring district school boards to adopt rules to allow for the issuance of adjunct educator certificates; amending s. 1013.03, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to review rules relating to school construction and make recommendations to the State Board of Education; amending s. 1013.31, F.S.; requiring school districts to periodically update the inventory of educational facilities; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; revising reporting requirements for the board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School; providing for funding the Florida Virtual School within the Florida Education Finance Program; providing for the determination of a credit; eliminating obsolete provisions; amending s. 1011.61, F.S.; redefining the term “full-time equivalent student” to include a Florida Virtual School student; providing for membership to exceed certain maximum days of instruction; creating the Florida Business and Education in School Together (Florida BEST) Program; requiring school districts to seek business partners for Florida BEST schools; requiring each school district to create a Florida BEST school evaluation committee; defining a “Florida Business and Education in School Together (Florida BEST) school”; providing for priority in admission of students; providing parental responsibility; providing for contracts to operate Florida BEST schools; providing school district and business responsibilities for Florida BEST schools; providing exemptions from local government ordinances or regulations relating to square footage or floor area; repealing ss. 1002.33(13), 1012.41, and 1013.43, F.S., relating to number of charter schools, directors of career and technical education, and the small school requirement; amending s. 216.292, F.S.; requiring the Executive Office of the Governor to transfer funds for class size reduction based on recommendations of the Florida Education Finance Program Appropriation Allocation Conference; requiring notice and review; providing for severability; providing effective dates.

By the Committee on Comprehensive Planning; and Senators Atwater, Dawson, Bennett, Geller, Peaden, Fasano, Lee and Clary—

CS for SB 1454—A bill to be entitled An act relating to local government funding; creating the “Local Funding Revenue Maximization Act”; providing legislative intent; defining the term “agency” for purposes of the act; providing requirements for state agencies that provide health services, social services, or human services; providing requirements for the use of certain public revenues as local matching funds and for the uses of federal reimbursements received as a result of the certification of local matching funds; providing for agreements between agencies and local political subdivisions; requiring agencies and local political subdivisions to cooperate in modifying state plans and in seeking and implementing any necessary federal waivers; providing for administrative costs; providing for interest on certain unpaid funds; requiring agencies to submit annual reports to the Governor and to legislative leaders; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections; and Senators Cowin and Fasano—

CS for SB 1578—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Commission on Ethics; amending s. 112.321, F.S.; restricting lobbying activities of members of the Commission on Ethics; providing exceptions; providing an effective date.

By the Committee on Education—

CS for SB 1772—A bill to be entitled An act relating to education; amending s. 24.121, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 212.055, F.S.; eliminating references to the Florida Frugal Schools Program; amending s. 216.136, F.S.; eliminating reference to an obsolete

board; providing that the executive director of the Commission for Independent Education is a member of the Workforce Estimating Conference; amending s. 316.615, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rule-making with respect to school bus operation; amending s. 402.305, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rules with respect to child care facilities; amending s. 409.1451, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 445.0123, F.S.; eliminating a reference to State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities; prescribing duties of the Commission for Independent Education with respect to determining eligibility for certain students; amending s. 455.2125, F.S.; eliminating a reference to the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities and the State Board of Nonpublic Career Education; requiring certain entities to consult with the Commission for Independent Education; amending s. 456.028, F.S.; eliminating a reference to the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities and the State Board of Nonpublic Career Education; requiring certain entities to consult with the Commission for Independent Education; amending s. 467.009, F.S.; transferring certain duties from the authority of the State Board of Nonpublic Career Education to the Commission for Independent Education; amending s. 488.01, F.S.; transferring certain duties from the State Board of Nonpublic Career Education to the Commission for Independent Education; amending s. 489.125, F.S.; eliminating a reference to the Commissioner of Education; providing rulemaking authority of the State Board of Education; amending s. 817.566, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; transferring certain duties from the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities to the Commission for Independent Education; amending s. 817.567, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; transferring certain duties from the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities to the Commission for Independent Education; amending s. 943.22, F.S.; replacing a reference to the Accrediting Commission for Independent Colleges to one for the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools; amending s. 1000.04, F.S.; correcting terminology; amending s. 1001.26, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1001.372, F.S.; correcting an internal reference; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1001.50, F.S.; eliminating age as a criterion of compensation for district school superintendents; amending s. 1001.74, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.01, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.32, F.S.; redesignating a developmental research school as a "lab" school; deleting a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring compliance with s. 1012.45, F.S., for transportation of charter school students; amending s. 1002.42, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1002.43, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1003.63, F.S.; eliminating the authority of the State Board of Education to waive law; amending s. 1004.24, F.S.; eliminating an obsolete reference to postaudits of financial accounts; providing for financial audit pursuant to s. 11.45, F.S.; amending s. 1004.26, F.S.; revising provisions relating to university oversight of student government; amending s. 1004.445, F.S.; eliminating an obsolete reference to postaudit of financial accounts; requiring a financial audit pursuant to s. 11.45, F.S.; amending s. 1005.04, F.S.; correcting an error in punctuation; amending s. 1006.14, F.S.; correcting an error in punctuation; amending s. 1006.21, F.S.; deleting references to "regulations" and conforming references to State Board of Education; amending s. 1007.21, F.S.; deleting references to guardians; amending s. 1008.37, F.S.; correcting a date; amending s. 1009.29, F.S.; correcting reference to State Board of Education; correcting reference to the number of state universities; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; correcting an error in grammar; amending s. 1009.534, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rules concerning the Florida Academic Scholars award; amending s. 1009.535, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rules concerning the Florida Medallion Scholars award; amending s. 1009.539, F.S.; redesignating the Florida Merit Scholars award as the Florida Medallion Scholars award; transferring certain duties of the Articulation Coordinating Committee to the State Board of Education; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1009.765, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rules concerning the Ethics in Business scholarships; amending s. 1009.77, F.S.; revising provisions relating to rules concerning the Florida Work Experience

Program; amending s. 1010.75, F.S.; providing that fees be remitted for disbursement from the Teacher Certification Examination Trust Fund; amending s. 1011.60, F.S.; deleting a cross-reference; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; redesignating the Accrediting Commission of the Association of Independent Colleges and Schools as the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools; amending s. 1012.21, F.S.; correcting a reference to the Department of Education; amending s. 1012.585, F.S.; correcting the name of a trust fund; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1012.62, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1012.74, F.S.; correcting cross-references; amending s. 1012.79, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1012.795, F.S.; designating the appointed representative of a district school superintendent to receive certain records concerning certain offenses; amending s. 1012.796, F.S.; correcting cross-references; amending s. 1012.98, F.S.; requiring consultation with state university faculty; amending 1013.73, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; amending s. 1013.74, F.S.; eliminating an obsolete cross-reference; providing an effective date.

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

The Journal of March 13 was corrected and approved.

CO-SPONSORS

Senators Argenziano—SB 146, CS for SB 326, SB 338, CS for SB 428, SB 464; Bullard—SB 118, CS for SB 198, SB 638, SB 1336; Campbell—SB 1318, SB 1626; Cowin—SB 1946; Fasano—SB 1370, SB 1422; Lynn—SB 126, SB 712, SB 1670, SB 1698; Margolis—SB 438, SB 1628; Smith—SB 1000; Wilson—SB 1498

RECESS

On motion by Senator Lee, the Senate recessed at 10:18 a.m. for the purpose of holding committee meetings and conducting other Senate business to reconvene at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 19 or upon call of the President.

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S	192	Read second time
S	258	Read second time
S	260	Read second time
S	472	Read second time
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